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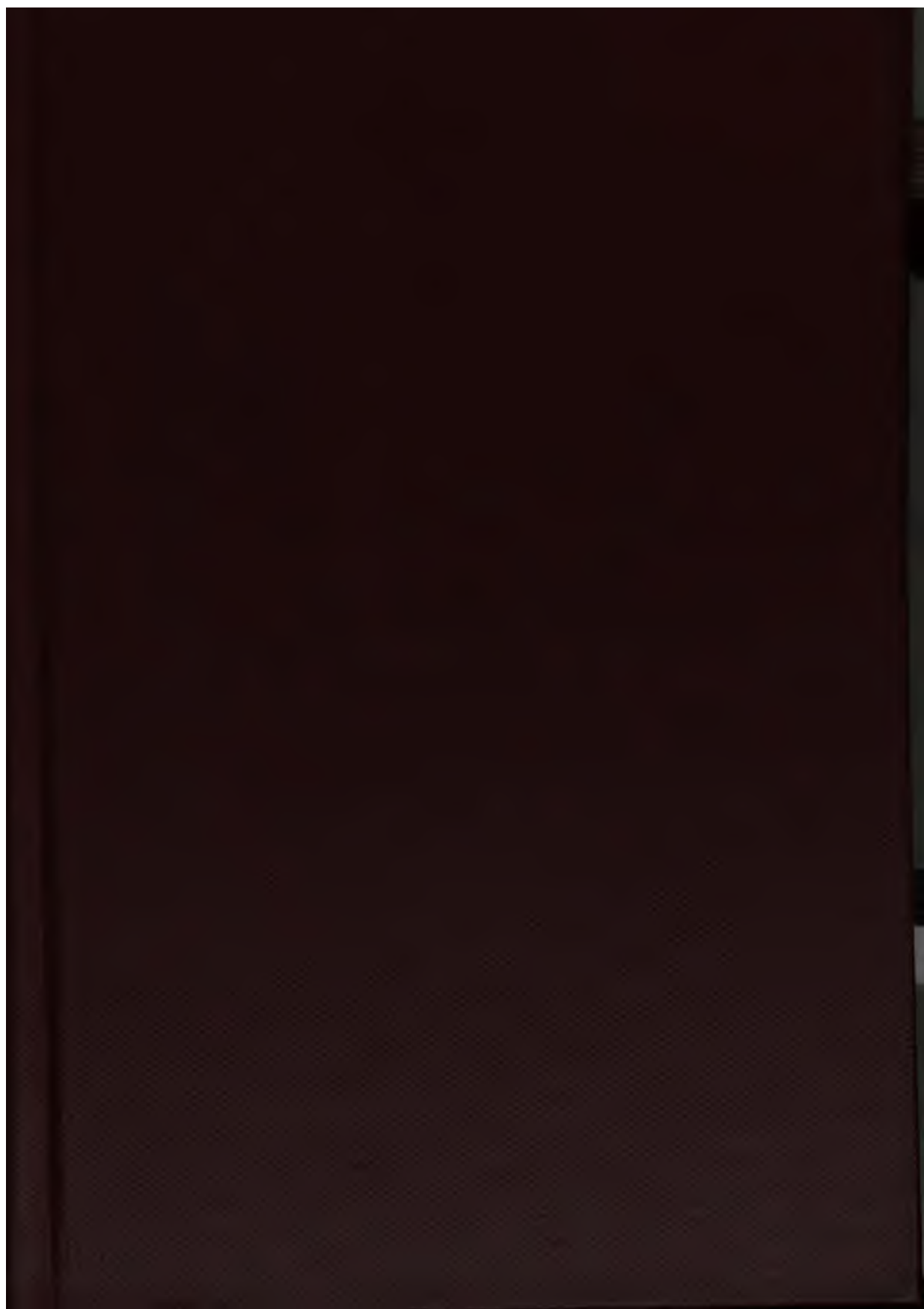
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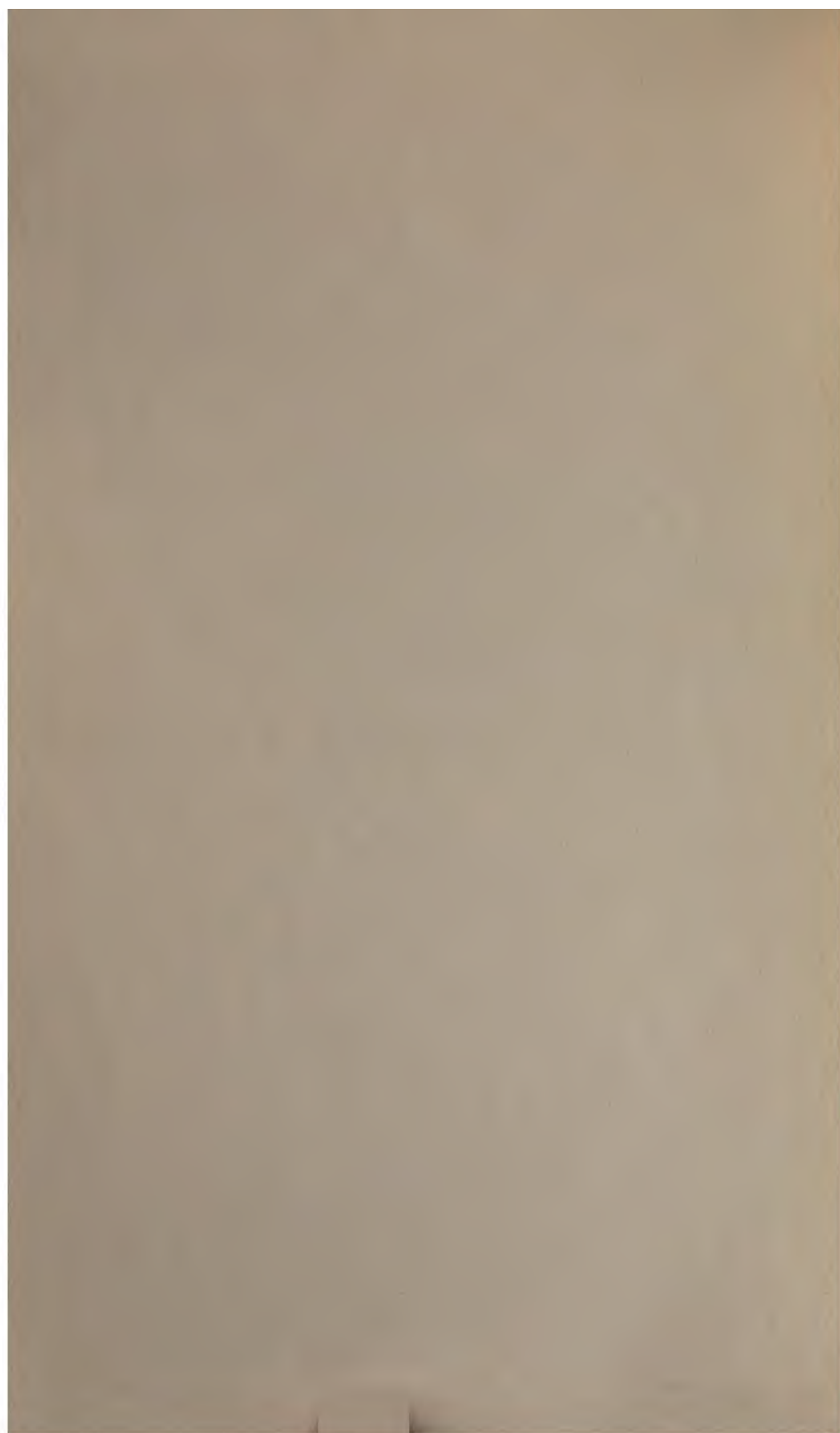


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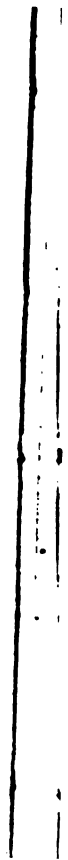


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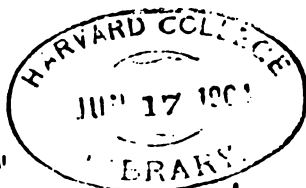
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PREFACE

THE text which appears for the first time in this volume was printed for private circulation in May 1902 as a thesis for the degree of Phil. Dr. at the University of Upsala. It was preceded by a few introductory chapters on the history of Middle English Biblical Versions, a subject which had scarcely been touched since the Rev. Josiah Forshall and Sir Frederic Madden gave a historical survey of early English Scriptural translations in the first volume of their great quarto edition of the Wycliffe Bible, published in 1850. I had succeeded in discovering a fair amount of new material and I found that it was impossible to treat the subject at all adequately within the limited space of an introduction. In consideration of this the Syndics of the University Press with their accustomed courtesy and kindness agreed to a change of plan, and have allowed me to publish the text with an introduction special to itself. I hope later to complete the historical introduction and expand it into a separate volume.

With regard to the work in its present form, a few words of explanation may be necessary. In the chapter on 'Language' I have, for instance, limited myself to the English and Scandinavian elements since an enquiry into these proved sufficient for my purpose, viz. to establish the composite nature of the text and determine the dialects of the different parts.

In the Notes the principal deviations from the text of the Vulgate have been recorded and when possible explained by reference to Old Latin and other sources. As a basis of comparison I have adopted *Codex Amiatinus* which M. Berger in

his *Histoire de la Vulgate* (p. 37) pronounces to be 'le meilleur et le plus célèbre des manuscrits de la Bible latine.'

The list of words found at the end of the volume makes no pretension to being a complete glossary. It is mainly intended to explain such words as could not be readily understood by the average English reader without reference to a Middle English dictionary.

In conclusion I have to express my grateful thanks to the Syndics of the University Press for undertaking the publication of this book, and to the Staff for great assistance in the course of the printing; to the Master and Librarian of Selwyn College, Cambridge, and the Earl of Leicester, of Holkham Hall, Norfolk, for the loan of manuscripts; to the Librarian of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, for facilities offered in copying MS. Parker 434; and to Miss Haggitt, of 6, Clifton Place, Hyde Park, London, for the loan of a transcript of MS. Douce 250.

I also wish to express my indebtedness to the Staff of the University Library for much kind assistance given and many facilities offered, especially to the Librarian, Mr Francis Jenkinson, to Mr Magnússon and Mr Rogers.

Further I have to thank Docent Eilert Ekwall of Upsala for reading the proof-sheets of Chapter III. of the introduction, and for many helpful suggestions in connection therewith, and last, but not least, my friend and former teacher, Miss J. E. Kennedy, for helping me to transcribe part of the MS. Parker 434, and for reading the proof-sheets of the text and the greater part of the introduction. Her warm interest and unfailing sympathy have proved the greatest encouragement and help to me during the whole course of my work.

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CHAPTER I.

ACCOUNT OF THE MANUSCRIPTS, CONTENTS AND SOURCE OF THE VERSION.

THIS version, now for the first time printed, has come down to us in five MSS., of which three are preserved in Cambridge libraries, the fourth in the Bodleian Library, Oxford, and the fifth in the private collection of the Earl of Leicester at Holkham Hall, Norfolk.

The MSS. are as follows:

(1) *S.* = *Selwyn College 108 L. 1.*

This copy formerly belonged to the Rev. Canon W. Cooke, F.S.A., of Trinity Hall, and was bequeathed by him together with other MSS. and books to Selwyn College. It is a small quarto, written according to the opinion of Dr Montague James about the year 1400. The vellum is coarse and soiled in many places, the handwriting is large and uneven. Two scribes were probably at work, one supplying ff. 86—101^b, the other the preceding and following parts of the volume.

Folios 1—19 have black initials of later date, ff. 86—93 have contemporary red ones, in the remaining parts they are omitted. The volume has been corrected throughout by a nearly contemporary hand, designated in the notes as the 'first corrector'. The same hand has further repeated in the margin at irregular intervals certain words of the text, surrounding them with a line. Other corrections have been made by hands belonging to the late fifteenth and early sixteenth centuries.

¹ To judge from some of his notes and additions this 'first corrector' must have been a Kentishman, e.g. *sen* (O.E. *synn*) Eph. v 27, *brynggynk* Acts xiv 12, *pynte*? (*pinge* P.) Heb. xi 13. For other examples of his dialect, see p. 8 l. 9, 1 Pet. iii 3, Acts vii 59, xxi 20, xxii 28.

The names Maria, Jesus, Johannes occur without any apparent reason at the head of the first page of this MS. as well as of the Parker copy. I am indebted to Mr Jenkinson, the University Librarian, for the excellent suggestion that they in all likelihood originally explained a picture of the crucifixion in some earlier illuminated MS., and that the scribe in copying wrote the names down as if the picture were still there.

S. is not homogeneous in dialect. The Prologue, Peter, James, 1 John and the Pauline Epistles are Southern, see p. lxi § 92; 2—3 John, Jude, Matthew and the Acts are Midland with a more or less strong intermixture of Southern forms, see p. lxvii § 93; the Acts moreover retain pronounced traces of a North Midland dialect, in character similar to that of C., see § 91, e.g. in chap. i—ii 7 all the pres. participles (16) end in *-ande*; the 3 sg. pres. ind. has *-(e)s* in *has*, *byhoues* i 16, *byhouys* i 21; further occasional characteristic forms like *wore* iv 1, or xxiii 16, *mykel* i 5, *whulke* xxiii 21, *gaf* (pt. pl.) i 26, *schal* (plur.) i 8, ii 17, 38, *brake* (plur.) ii 46, the pronoun *he þis* i 11, 18, iii 3, *hym þis* iii 12, the def. article *þo* i 15, ii 10 (4x), ii 11 (3x) etc.

S. was unknown to the Rev. Josiah Forshall and Sir Frederic Madden, who in the first volume of their great quarto edition of the Wycliffe Bible gave a historical survey of early English Scriptural translations (Oxford, 1850). It was brought to my notice through a note in the Librarian's catalogue of the Parker MSS. in Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. This note, appended to MS. Parker 434, states that it had been transcribed in 1882 for the Rev. Canon Cooke, who had another copy. In 1884 S. formed part of the Wycliffe Exhibition in the British Museum, lent for the purpose by Canon Cooke; it is shortly described by Sir E. M. Thompson in the catalogue of the exhibited MSS. (p. 13 f.). I have found no further mention of this MS.

S., being the older and better of the two complete MSS., has been taken as the basis of the present edition. The text of the Prologue, of the Epistles, and Gospel of St Matthew, is printed from it.

(2) *P. = Parker 434, Corpus Christi College.*

An octavo volume written on vellum in the earlier half of the fifteenth century, in a clear pretty court hand, the same throughout. The dialect of P. is Southern with a fair intermixture of Kentish forms:—e.g. *amonk* Acts iv 17; *þet* ib. xxiii 28; *þing* for *pink* Prol. 7. 5; *pet* 2. 29; *heiden* 3. 13; *dedest* 3. 22; *hel*, 10. 9, 11, 12; *wresed* 13. 29; *feer* 13. 30, 1 Pet. i 7 etc. The scribe of P. writes regularly *fram*, *nal*, *nauzt*, *þorw*, *eny*, *wele*, in other respects he scarcely deviates from the orthography and phonology of S. In the Acts P.

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exhibits the same Northern peculiarities as S. The contents of the two MSS. are the same.

A short account of this MS. and its contents, together with a few extracts from the text, is given by Forshall and Madden, *Wycl. Bible*, i p. xii f. They state that it is 'in the western dialect and probably the original copy.'

(3) *C. = University Library Dd. XII. 39.*

A duodecimo on vellum from Bishop John Moore's library, which was bought and subsequently given to the University of Cambridge by George I. in 1715. It was written in the latter part of the fourteenth century in a small square court hand. The volume contains several religious pieces¹ of considerable interest, and on ff. 16—72^b our version of the Acts of the Apostles.

For the dialect of C. see p. lxx § 91. The text of the Acts is here printed from C., as it is the oldest of our MSS. and comes nearest to the original.

C. was unknown to the editors of the Wycliffe Bible, and I have found no reference to it elsewhere.

(4) *D. = Douce 250, Bodleian Library.*

A small octavo written on vellum circa 1400. Two hand-writings are discernible, remarkably like those of S. Ff. 8—8^b and f. 58 are written by one hand, the remaining parts by the other.

The contents of the volume are as follows:—f. 1, Matthew i 1—19, iv 7—v 34; f. 8, Acts i 1—19, iv 7—xv 32, xv 34—xvi 28, xvii 7—xxiii 24, xxiii 26—xxviii (verse 29 missing); f. 58, James; f. 62, 1 Peter (iii 19—22, iv 2—6 missing); f. 67^b, 2 Peter (i 19 missing); f. 72, 1 John; f. 77^b, 2 John; f. 78, 3 John (verses 9, 10, 12 missing); f. 78^b, Jude. The translation of Matthew and the Acts found in this volume agrees with that of the preceding MSS. The Catholic Epistles, however, represent an entirely different version from which the early compiler evidently borrowed 2—3 John and Jude and introduced them into his collection of Biblical books. See on this point p. lxx.

MS. D. is referred to by the editors of the Wycliffe Bible, i p. xiii note *h*.

¹ These are: f. 1, *Of þe seven vertewes*, a part of the so-called Dan John Gaytrigg's Sermon, edited by Perry, G. G., E.E.T.S. Original Series No. 26; f. 2, *Of wedded men ande þer wyues ande þer childer*, attributed to Wycliffe and printed by Arnold, S.E.W. iii 188—201; f. 72^b, *þo Pater noster in Englysche*, attributed to Wycliffe by Thomas Waldensis, *Doctr. Fidei*, iii 34, printed in S.E.W. iii 93—97.

The Catholic Epistles of D., with the exception of 2—3 John, Jude which appear in the body of the text, are printed in Appendix I, p. 209 ff.

D. is a Southern transcript of a Midland text. The dialect scarcely deviates from that of the corresponding parts of S. Matthew differs only in the following cases: *zeftys* ii 11, *fulfullud* ii 17, *whas* iii 11, 12, *byzande* iv 15, *schepe* iv 21, *meny* iv 25, *pristyn* v 6, *candylstyke* v 15, further in having the pres. part. regularly in *-inge* as compared to the frequent *-enge* in S. The Acts have as a rule the same Northern and North Midland peculiarities as S., and in addition *whorto* v 9, *wore* vii 21, ix 21, *þore* xxv 14, *whas* ix 11, x 6, xi 28, *þeir* xxiii 32, *þat at* vii 44, x 15, xi 9, *þou ert* x 26, *eftyr* xxvii 14. James, Peter, 1 John have also traces of the same Northerly dialect: *or* 1 Pet. i 20, *wore* (prt.) ib. iii 16, *wore* ib. v 8, *þeire* ib. ii 8, 2 Pet. iii 16, *hald* (imp.) 1 Pet. iii 15, *þat at* ib. iii 16, iv 14, v 2, 2 Pet. i 14, 1 John ii 24, *late* (imp.) 1 John iii 7, *seke* 1 Pet. iii 11, *bysekynge* 2 Pet. iii 1, *He þis* 1 John v 20 etc. 2—3 John and Jude differ from S. in the following instances: *haue* 2 John 1, *whyche* 3 John 6, Jude 4, *puple* Jude 5, *angel* 6, *fyre* 7, *þeire flesche* 8, *haruest* 12, *hem sūf* 19, *ouþere* 23.

(5) *H. = Holkham Hall 672.*

A small folio written on vellum soon after 1400. The contents are as follows:—ff. 1—132 ‘*þe Myrrour*,’ a collection of homilies on the Gospels for the Sundays and principal festivals of the year—other MSS. are found in Magdalene College, Cambridge 2498, Corpus Christi Coll. Camb. 282, and Harl. 5085, which latter was known to the editors of the Wycliffe Bible (see Bible, i p. xx note); ff. 132—161^b the Catholic and Pauline Epistles as contained in MSS. S. and P. and printed on pp. 18 l. 5—122 (end) of our text; ff. 161^b—256 the four Gospels with prologues according to the so-called Earlier Wycliffite Version. The text of the Gospels is complete but divided up into the various Gospels of the Church Service, each division being preceded by a heading in red telling for what Sunday or other festival it is appointed to be read, e.g. Mt. i 1—17, ‘The gospel of þe natyuyte of oure lady and of þe concepcyoun of hir.’

Four hands are discernible; the first extends from f. 1 to f. 16^b, the second wrote ff. 17—25 l. 2, the third ff. 25 l. 3—161^b (to the end of the Epistles), the fourth ff. 161^b—256 comprising the Gospels with their respective prologues.

The volume belonged in 1592 to Johannes Forestius ‘rector de Ramseton in Comitatu Essex’ (f. 7); later on it passed into the hands of the famous Chief Justice Sir Edward Coke (1552—1634), as his autograph is found on the first page; it evidently never left the

family, for the book-plate now bears the name and crest of Thomas William, Viscount Coke and Earl of Leicester of Holkham.

The dialect of the Epistles of H. with the exception of 2—3 John and Jude is Southern, and deviates but slightly from that of S., the tendency of the scribe evidently being to introduce Midland forms and omit the most pronounced Southern peculiarities of his original, e.g. always *synne*, *whiche*, *chirche*, *breperen*; further *seye*, *fell(en)*, mostly *haueþ*, for *sugge* etc. § 4, *fullen* § 4, *habbeþ* etc. § 77; the pt. sg. *3af*, *bar* for *3ef* § 73, *ber* § 72, often *sche* for *he(o)* § 63. As further illustration I give the variations of H. in the first chapter of 1 Corinthians:—i 10 *suggen seye*, *bote bute*, 12 *sugge seye*, *bote bute*, *saiþ seiþ*, 13 *oper wheþer or wher*, 14 *þonke þante*, 15 *sugge seye*, 19 *y-wryten y wryte*, 20 *mad ymaad*, 21 *wes was*, 24 *bote bute*, 26 *bryperen breperen*, *mony many*, 30 *bote bute*, for-buggyng *forbyggynge*.

2—3 John and Jude are Midland with a fairly strong mixture of Southern forms; for the sake of comparison I give its dialectical variations from S.:—2 John 1 *whuche whiche*, not *nozt*, *bote bute*, *han haueþ*, 2 *be ben*, 4 *ych I*, 5 not *nozt*, *fro from*, 7 *knowlecheþ knowlechen*, *comen come*, 8 *lese lose*, *han haue*, *wrozt wrouzt*, 9 not *nozt*, 10 not *nozt* throughout, 12 *bote bute*.—3 John 1 *whuche whiche*, 4 *þise þes*, 5 *feijfully feijfulliche*, 6 *whuche whiche*, 8 *beþ be*, 9 not *nozt*, 10 *moue meue*, *chirche chirche*, 11 not *nozt*, 12 *knowe yknowe*, 13 not *nozt*, 14 *schul schal*.—Jude 4 *come comen*, *whuche whiche*, 5 not *nozt*, 6 not *nozt*, *bote bute*, 9 not *nozt*, 10 *þise þes*, *beþ ben*, 12 *heruest haruest*, 13 *whuche whiche*, 14 *aseyn azen*, 15 *whuche whiche*, *wrouyte wrouyten*, *aseyns azena*, 18 *whuche whiche*, 19 not *nozt*, 23 *fyre fuyr*, *opere ouper*, *whuche whiche*.

H. is a good and serviceable copy, in many instances it corrects the readings of S. and supplies omissions, e.g. 1 Pet. i 13, ii 4, 25, iii 21, 2 Pet. ii 10, Jam. iii 16, iv 10, 1 John vi 20, 2 John 6, Rom. vii 5, viii 7, xii 2, 18, xiii 2, 1 Cor. vi 4, xi 12, Phil. ii 12 etc. In other cases it is inferior to S., e.g. Jam. v 16, 1 John iii 18, Rom. vi 12, viii 4, 36, 1 Thes. iv 7, Heb. vi 8 etc. Its deviations from S., that is from the text here printed, are noted in Appendix II, as owing to defective cataloguing¹ and consequent misinformation I only discovered this MS. after the whole of the text had been printed.

¹ It is almost incredible that H. should have remained unknown to or at all events unnoticed by the editors of the Wycliffe Bible. The Holkham MS. catalogue was compiled in 1815 by William Roscoe (1758—1831, vide *D.N.B.*); his catalogue was collated and enlarged in 1828 by Sir Frederic Madden, one of the two editors of the Wycliffe Bible. By some curious oversight they both failed to identify the important Biblical texts contained in MS. 672, evidently looking upon them as part and parcel of the 'Myrrour.' It was through a chance visit to the library that I first became aware of the actual contents of H.

In reproducing the text from these MSS. I have corrected the most obvious scribal errors, but mistakes on the part of the translator have only been rectified where the sense of the passage absolutely required it. Every deviation from the MS. has been duly recorded in the foot-notes. Brackets are used to denote additions whether of a letter, a word or a whole phrase or sentence not occurring in the MS., e.g. p. 11 l. 36 go[l]d, 2 Pet. i 1 [in], Jam. ii 8 [by nexte neijeboure], the original reading being in every case given in the foot-notes. Letters or words which have dropped out of all the MSS. are supplied without further reference, e.g. Eph. vi. 6, Col. iii. 7. Parentheses again are used where alternative readings or explanatory glosses are inserted, especially when denoted as such by underlining in the MS. The readings of the various MSS. are given in the foot-notes¹, but I have ignored mere orthographical variations and phonetic ones of no consequence.

Throughout the volume the numbering of chapters and verses follows that of the Vulgate, which was generally taken as a basis of mediæval English translations. Headings and superscriptions like 'Prologue,' '1 Peter' etc. have been added for the sake of clearness.

The establishment of the relationship between our five MSS. does not present great difficulties. A glance at the foot-notes at once shows the close agreement between S. and P., and a further examination proves that P. was evidently copied from S. after the 'first corrector' had made his emendations of the text. His corrections are almost in every instance adopted by the scribe of P. and introduced into the text². The errors of S. are also repeated by the scribe of P., e.g. 1 Pet. iv 2, Rom. vi 5, 6, 1 Thes. iv 9, Heb. ii 1, v 12, ix 23 etc. The differences between S. and P. are very slight, being mostly due to careless readings or omissions on the part of the scribe of the later MS.³ or to unimportant changes made in the course of copying, and probably due to a comparison with the Latin text.

¹ The readings of MS. Holkham 672 are printed in Appendix II, p. 226.

² e.g. p. 5. 2 to *kepe*, 8. 9 *hes*, 10. 15 *have*, 10. 17 *pei*, 16. 30 *renyngē*, 1 Pet. iii 3 *serklenge*; 1 Cor. ii 14 *ded goslech*, carelessly written in the margin with the *g* as a mere curve, was misread by the scribe of P. and inserted in the text as *ded sopliche*; Gal. v 8 *or evidence*, inserted before the word it was to explain because this happened to begin the line; Col. iv 2 *lordes* in S. is one of the ordinary marginal repetitions, standing before the line beginning 'And be 3c.' The scribe of P. adopts it in the text. Cf. 2 Tim. iii 10, Acts iii 2 etc. A few corrections passed over by the scribe of P. occur in the following places: 1 Pet. i 14, i 18, Jam. i 13, iv 10.

³ e.g. 1 Cor. v 7, iii 12, Phil. ii 8, 15, iii 3 etc.

As regards the relationship between S. and H. it is clear from the following instances that S. cannot have been copied from H.:— 1 John v. 4, Jude 10, p. 47 l. 11, p. 48 l. 8 f., Rom. vi 12, xii 2, 1 Cor. i 25, Heb. vi 18 etc.; nor can H. have been copied from S.:— 1 Pet. ii 24, 1 John iii 4, 10, Rom. xii 2, 18, xiii 2, 1 Cor. xi 17 etc. On the other hand, as can be seen from the few and unimportant variations between the two manuscripts, the agreement between them is so close as to make it certain that they could not have been far removed from the same Southern original. The exact degree of relationship is of course impossible to determine. An interesting scribal error makes it further appear as if the original of H. were Kentish. In Rom. vii 13 the copyist writes *seye* 'peccans,' which makes no sense; but P. has *sunge* and S. has *synnyng* in a late hand on erasure; from this it is easy to see that the original of H. must have had *senye* (*sēye*), a distinct Kentish form. Then there are a few stray forms *bisyep* *jou* Gal. v 15, *ponkynges* 1 Thea. iii. 9, possibly *by* for *bēo(n)* Jude 25, 2 John 3, 1 Tim. vi 5, cf. § 28, which point in the same direction. If we then consider that a fair number of Kentish forms appear in S. (§§ 2^b, 8, 28, 92), in spite of its chief characteristics being South-Western (§ 92), it seems a natural inference to draw that the common original of S. and H. was Kentish. For a geographical connection with Kent speaks further the fact that the contemporary 'first corrector' of S. was a Kentish man (p. xi), and that P. a later transcript from S. (p. xvi) is strongly tinged with Kenticisms (p. xii).

The Prologue, James, Peter, 1 John, and the Pauline Epistles are only found in S.(P.) and formed, as I take it, the nucleus of the original composition, additions being subsequently made in all likelihood from some already existing version. I infer this from the following: (1) The introductory lines to 1 Peter i (p. 18), where only Peter, James and John are mentioned as writing 'pysteles to þe pepel how they schulen lyue,' while on p. 47 the name of Jude is added, probably after the later insertion of his Epistle. (2) The concluding words addressed to the 'sister' at the end of the Pauline Epistles (p. 122), which indicate that the work there comes to an end. (3) The fact that all the above-mentioned Epistles and probably the Prologue are the work of one translator, while 2—3 John, Jude, the Acts and Matthew contain a different rendering. See on this point under translation §§ 95—98. (4) The fact that these Epistles together with the Prologue and intervening pieces of dialogue (pp. 47,

48, 122) are in the same Southern dialect (§ 92), whereas the remaining parts are Midland (§§ 91, 93).

The Epistles 2—3 John and Jude occur in S.(P.), H. and D.; of these the text of S.(P.) and H. cannot have been copied from D., see 3 John 9, 10, 12, nor from any immediate common original, see 2 John 9, 11, 3 John 2, 11, Jude 4, 6 etc.

These Epistles were probably an early, possibly a contemporary addition to the monk's collection of Biblical books, as they retain less of their Midland character (§ 93) than the Acts and Matthew (p. xii and § 93), and follow 1 John as a matter of course both in S.(P.) and H.

As regards the text of the Acts, S.(P.) and D. form a group¹ from which C. stands apart, S. and D. being derived through some intervening link from the same original (S.D.*). The coincidences between S.(P.) and D. on the one hand and C. on the other are, however, so great as to make it probable that (S.D.*) and the original of C. (C*) had a common source (C.S.D.*)².

The text of the Gospel of St Matthew was in all likelihood found in (S.D.*), and, we may surmise, in (C.S.D.*) as well, as it has the ordinary introductory line addressed to the nun, 'Matheu seiþ in þe firste chaptyl on þis wyse' and further represents the same translation with the same kind of explanatory glosses as the Acts (p. lxxi f.).

We may now proceed to a short account of the contents of our MSS.

The two fuller copies are preceded by a Prologue which opens with a brief account of the creation of man and his state in paradise, of the pride and fall of Lucifer, of the temptation and fall of Adam and Eve and their subsequent life upon earth, of the flood, of Noah, and finally how God put his 'reyn-bowe in þe cloudes of heuene & þe streng toward þe erþe in tokene of pees hytween hym & man.'

The narrative then assumes the form of a dialogue (p. 4) between

¹ e.g. Acts viii 32, 34, 36, 40, ix 1, 3, 14, x 1, 3, 10, xii 19, 20, xiv 12, xvi 26, 27 etc.

² This view is supported by:—The introductory lines, 'Als saynte Luke telles and writes of þo dedes of þo apostuls, ande sais vpon þis wise,' originally addressed to the nun for whom the compilation was prepared, are the same in the four MSS. Verse xxviii 29 is omitted in all. The glosses introduced into the text are, with a few exceptions (e.g. ii 18, 23, xi 3, xiv 12), the same in the four MSS., e.g. i 2, 7, 13, 17, 31, 35, v 28, xi 3, 17, xiii 7, xv 9, 22 etc.

a 'lewed and vnkunynge' brother and sister, that is, a monk and a nun', on the one hand, and on the other their brother superior', whom they implore for the love of Christ to teach them what is needful for the welfare of their souls. The brother superior is, however, somewhat loth to undertake this task. He answers, 'Broþer, y knowe wel þat y am holde by Cristis lawe to parforme þyn axynge; bot napeles we beþ now so fer y-fallen a-vey from Cristis lawe, þat jif y wolde answer to þyn axynge y mooste in cas vnderfonge þe deþ.'

The ignorant brother, however, argues in a lengthy speech against these fears and doubts of his learned superior, winding up with an expression of the hope that God might exercise his judgment upon him in the 'dredeful day of dome' if he did not truly answer the questions put to him.

The brother superior answers (p. 8), 'Broþer, þou hast agast me sumwhat wiþ þyn argumentys. For þou; þou ne hafe nojt yben a-mong clerkes at scole, þi skelis þat þou makest beþ y-founded in loue þat is a-bofe resoun þat clerkes vseþ in scole: & þerfor it is hard for me to aþeynstonde þyn skelys & þyn axyngea.' He then goes on to describe the calling of the people of Israel, their sojourn in Egypt, their deliverance from the power of Pharaoh, and their guidance into the land of promise. 'Þus þorou; an argument of loue God almyȝty þoro; hys myȝt delyferyd his pepel out of bodylyche bralldom...And so nedilyche y þat am his serfaunt & þi broþer mot graunte þyn argument of loue, & parforme þyn axynge by my power: for þi loue haþ ouercome my resoun. And þerfore axe nouþe what þou wylt.'

¹ *Broþer, suster* (Prol. 3. 9, 15. 18 etc.), the usual way of addressing a monk or a nun, cf. the *Ancren Riwe* (Morton, Camden Soc. 1863), where the author calls the three anchoresses 'mine leoue sustren' throughout; *Commentary on Richard Rolle of Hampole's Psalter*, MS. Reg. 18. D. 1, f. 129^b 'al þese yuelis ben doon for-to gete goodis to be brepered & sustrid and to haue sikirnesse of worldly prosperite amonge þese couentis'; Aungier, *History of Sion and Isleworth*, Additions to the Rules, p. 364 'Of the service of sustres unlettred,' ib. chap. xxii 'The obseruaunces at the autrys longeth to the brethren and not to the sustres' etc.; Eckenstein, *Woman under Monasticism*, p. 364 'The nuns both of the Dominican and the Franciscan orders...are usually spoken of not as nuns but as sisters.' See further Sir E. Maunde Thompson's description of MS. S., *Catalogue of the Wycl. Exhibition*, 1884, p. 13 'A treatise, chiefly cast in the form of a dialogue between a brother and sister, or monk and nun.'

² Note how his superior degree is indicated by the more respectful address 3c Prol. 4. 27, 10. 1, 3, 3ow 4. 32, 10. 3, 3ou 9. 33, 34, whereas the ignorant 'brother' and 'sister' are merely styled þou Prol. 5. 2, 8. 1, 2, 3 etc.

In answer to several questions put by the nun, he then gives an account of the law, moral, civil and ceremonial¹, but whilst he is engaged in this latter narrative a sudden break occurs in the MSS. in the middle of a sentence. A few words then introduce the translation of the Catholic Epistles:—‘Suster, þe aposteles þat weren most pryfe wiþ Crist, Petur & Iames & Ion, wryteþ pysteles to þe pepel how þei schulen lyue; & Peter seiþ on þis wyse.’

The translation of the Pauline Epistles is likewise preceded by a short introductory dialogue (p. 47 f.), wherein the nun asks the monk ‘wheþer þat Poule, þat wes a postel of mysbeleued men, tauȝte hem eny þing ellys þan to byleuen in Crist, & ben y-folowed in his name.’

The monk then answers: ‘Suster, þou schalt vnderstonde þat Poule wryteþ many epysteles to dyuerse men þat he turned to þe byleue, how þei schulen byleuen, & how þei schulleþ lyuen; bote y ne may noȝt at þis tyme wryte to þe alle his pysteles as þei stondeþ; bote nabeles, ȝef it be Goddus wyll, þou schalt habbe hem her-aftur.’ He then relates how Paul teaches three things in his Epistles, the first thing being that men and women should believe in Jesus Christ, the second ‘þat it is noȝt nedful for cristen men to kepe þe poyntes of þe olde lawe,’ the third ‘how men schulleþ forsake synne in keypyng Cristes lawe of charite, & of þis poynt, suster, þoroȝ Goddes grace ich wole telle þe what he seiþ in his pisteles, & of þe oþer poyntes when ich haue gretter leyser.’

The translation then follows (p. 48), the Pauline Epistles being all represented with the exception of that to Philemon.

Each separate Epistle, again, has a few introductory and usually a few final words addressed to the nun, e.g. p. 48 ‘Seynt Poule wryteþ to þe Romaynes, & seiþ’; p. 56 ‘Þus, suster, seynt Poule wryteþ to þe Romaynes, how thei schulleþ lyuen þat byleueþ in Crist’; ib. ‘And to þe Corynthes he wryteþ, & seiþ’; p. 69 ‘Suster, in þis manere seynt Poule wryteþ to þe Corynthes’; p. 71 ‘To þe Epheses, suster, he wryteþ, & sayþ’; p. 109 ‘Þus, suster, seynt Poule haþ y-tauȝt men for-to lyfen þat byleueþ in Crist in his pystelis. And to Tymothe he wryteth on pistel, how he schulde haf en hys self in good ensampel to oþer men, & seiþ in þis wyse.’

¹ *Wycl. Bible*, Prologue, p. 3. ‘The old testament is departid into thre parties, into moral comaundementis, iudicials and ceremonials.’

At the end of the Pauline Epistles (p. 122) there are a few lines which lead us to believe that the monk-translator now considers himself to have fulfilled the request of the ignorant 'sister' and 'brother': 'Pus, suster, seynt Poule techep how Cristene men schuleþ lyfe, & his techyng acordeþ wiþ Cristis techyng in þe gospel, as þe techyng of þe opere aposteles doþ. And now, suster, my counseyl is þat þou lyfe vertuoualyche after Cristes techyng, & kepyng his hestes whyles þou art in þis world; & þanne þou schalt þoroȝ his mercy come to an eferlastyng lyf of blysse, boþe in body and in soule. Amen.'

It is probable that this passage points to an earlier copy in which fewer books were included, the Pauline Epistles there occupying the last place. In our two MSS., however, the Acts immediately follows (p. 123) with the usual introductory sentence, 'Als saynte Luke telles ande writes of þo dedes of þo apostuls, ande sais vpon þis wise.'

The first chapters of the Gospel of St Matthew (i—vi 13) close the series of translations given by the monk.

The *source* of the present version is the Latin Vulgate. The text used by the translator of Peter, James, 1 John and the Pauline Epistles is fairly pure with a comparatively small amount of readings from other sources. Similarly the text used for the Gospel of Matthew does not present any notable divergences, e.g.

1 Pet. iii 7 *with wymmen*, ib. 15 *of þe feiþ & of þe hope*, ib. 21 *oure Lord*, 2 Pet. i 16 *vnwyse fables*, Jam. ii 2 *on his hond*, v 10 *of an efel yssow*, 1 Cor. ii 16 *bote þe Spiryt of oure Lord*, Col. iii 8 *ne passe noȝt forþ*, 1 Thea. v 5 *Goddess chyldren*, 1 Tim. ii 6 *is y-confermed*.

Matthew ii 22 & *Joseph was amonestyd in his sleep by an aungel*.

The text used for the Acts, 2—3 John and Jude is on the other hand very considerably corrupted by the introduction of a number of readings from older Latin versions and other sources, e.g.

Acts v 34 *He comanded þat þe apostuls schulde gange oute a lytel*, ib. 36 *þat he was hymaeluen grete*, vii 2 *bifore þat he schulde dye in Charre*, ib. 19 *ande ordeynde þat of oure zonge childer þat were þanne borne þo knauechilde schulde not life*, ib. 21 *he was putte forþe into þo flode*, ib. 24 *Ande whanne þat he saue one of his kynne*, viii 1 *þat dwelled stille in Ierusalem*, x 25 *ande worschipped hym...as þow erte*, ib. 30 *I haue fastud ande preyed*, xi 1 *ande worschipped God þeroffe*, ib. 17 *uerne oure Lorde forto gife hem þo Holygoste þat troued in þo name of Iesu Criste*, xiv 3 *Bot God grawnted sone pees*, ib. 6 *Ande alle þo multitude was stired in þer doctrine; ande Poule ande Barnabas dwelled in Lystria*, ib. 9 *To þe I saye in þe name of oure Lorde Iesu Criste, rise etc.*, ib. 12 *he wolde haue done sacrifice vnto Poule ande*

Barnabas, xv 2 ande Poule saide vnto hem pat þei schulde abide in þo same troupe þat þei wore inne, ib 29 ande þat þe wille noghte were done vnto zowe, dos hit noghte vnto an-oper, ib 30 Ande Poule, Barnabas, Judas ande Syllas wente fro þo apostuls ande kome vnto A....þo multitude of þo disciplis, ib. 31 þei ioied in a grete ioie for þo comforþe þat þei hade, ib. 35 wiþ oper discipuls of Criste, ib. 39 Ande so amonge hem was made discencyone, ib. 41 confermande þo congregacyone of holy chirche & bade hem pat þei schulde kepe þo biddynge of þo apostuls ande of þo eldars, xvi 1 Ande whanne þei hade gone aboute þiss nacyons...a trewe wydowe sone, ib. 40 þei tolde hem whatte God hade done wiþ hem, xvii 6 þiss ben þei pat stiren alle þo worldes ande hider þei come, ib. 11 wheþer hit wore so as hit was preached to hem, xix 9 fro þo houre of sexte to þo houre of tenne, xxii 28 Lyghtly sais þou þat þow erte a buriase of Rome, xxviii 16 wiþouten þo castels, ib. 30 þo Iewes ande þo naciones þat wore called gentiles etc.

2 John 9 Wyte 3e þat, ib. 11 Lo, y haue warned zow byfore, þat in þe day of oure Lord 3e be noȝt confounded, ib. 13 Þe grace of God be with þe. Amen.

3 John 4 in soþfastnesse of charyte.

Jude 6 in þe grete dome of God, ib. 9 God ouercome þe.

Some of the curious and interesting readings found in the Acts can be traced back to the Old Latin text of *Codex Bezae* (d), e.g. x 25, xv 2, 29, xvi 40, xix 9, others to *Gigas librorum* (g), e.g. vii 57, xi 1, xxi 16, or to *Codex Laudianus* (e), e.g. xxvi 18. The reading of xxii 28 'Lyghtly sais þou þat þow erte a buriase of Rome' does not occur in any of the above-mentioned O.L. texts, but we find it in the Vulgate of the famous *Codex Armachanus* (see notes). In many instances our text of the Acts exhibits the same peculiarities of readings as MS. Bibl. Nat. 11532—3, written in Corbie and anterior to the Theodulfian and Alcuinian recensions, e.g. v 34, vii 20, x 25, 26, xi 17, xvi 1, 40¹. In fact amongst the many Vulgate texts described by M. Berger in his *Histoire de la Vulgate* it is closer to this MS. than to any others, though on the whole I have been unable to find any one text which shares all its peculiarities.

For a number of curious readings and interpolations I have not succeeded in finding any authority, e.g.

i 18 fledde away, iv 22 fourety þere ande twoo more, ib. 23 laten oute of þo kounseile to wende furþe þer way, þei komen vnto þer breþer þat wore conuerted, v 23 faste sparred as hit was leste, ib. 39 bot suffure hem, vii 55 hise fadire, ib. 57 twa falsse wytnes, viii 4 how he was Goddes sone, ib. 15 þat wore turned, ix. 2 of þo company of þe apostuls or hemseluē, xii 13 to loke who was þere, ib. 18 þat hym kepped, xix 9 sexte, xxvii 5 in twelue days, xxviii 15 þo merket of Appii, þo senator etc.

¹ Berger, *Vulgate*, p. 106 f.

Another class of corrupted readings is due to scribal errors in the Latin text, uncritically reproduced by the English translator, e.g.

1 Pet. i 3 *Vulg.* *spem uiuam* *on hope* (evidently *uam* read), iv 16 in isto *poro* *a rightful* (*iusto*), Ephes. iv 18 *uita pe ucy* (*uia* ?), iv 11 *sanctorum of pe worlde* (*saeculorum*), Hebr. ix 8 *uiam lyfynye* (*uitam*), xi 30 *muri men* (*uiri*), xi 35 *mortuos honabondes* (*maritos* ?), xiii 21 *bono place* (*loco* ?), Acts i 17, 25 *ministerii priuete* (*mysterii*), xvi 19 *spes spiritte* (*spiritus*) etc.

The letters *u* and *n* were evidently no more distinguishable in this text than in others of the time, as can be seen from the following misreadings:—

1 Pet. i 3 *nos you*, iv 4 *uobis we*, ib. 17 *nobis at you*, cf. 2 Pet. iii 11, Jam. v 17, 3 John 8, 2 Cor. vi 3, Col. ii 14, 1 Thea. i 8, 2 Thea. ii 12, Acts v 30, vii 44; 3 John 10 *commonebo y schal moue* (*commouebo*), Acts iv 19 *iudicate telle vs* (*indicate*), vii 7 *iudicabo I schul schewe* (*indicabo*).

Deus (*dā*) and its oblique cases were frequently misread or miswritten for a corresponding case of *Dominus* (*dñs*), and vice versa, e.g.

Jam. i 7 *a Donino of God*, cf. 1 Cor. i 31, iii 6, 1 Thea. iii 13, 1 Cor. iii 6, Acts xix 9 etc.

In other cases words, phrases, even whole sentences have been left out. It is of course impossible to decide whether the fault lies with the Latin or English scribe or the English translator, e.g.

1 Pet. i 3 *et*, ib. 8 *nunc quoque*, ib. 11 *in quod vel quale*, ib. 24 *omnis... tamquam*, ii 24 *ut peccatis mortui iustitie viveremus*, 1 John ii 24 *si in uobis permanserit quod ab initio audistis*, Rom. xiii 2 *potestati; Dei ordinationi resistit. Qui autem resistunt*, Acts iii 8 *exiliens—et intravit cum illis in templum—et exiliens etc.*

For further examples see the notes.

In spite of all these errors and deficiencies the Latin originals of our text were no doubt fairly typical specimens of the current versions of the Vulgate. Indeed, the writer of the Prologue to the Later Wycliffite Version¹ bears special testimony to the sadly corrupted state of the Latin Bibles of his time:

'First this symple creature hadde myche trauaile, with diuerse felawis and helperis, to gedere manie elde biblis, and othere doctouris, and comune glosis,...to make oo Latyn bible sumdel trewe.'

Further down in the same page he warns any intending corrector of his translation to

'examyne truli his Latyn bible, for no doute he shal fynde ful manye biblis in Latin ful false, if he loke manie, namely newe; and the comune Latyn biblis han more nede to be correctid, as manie as I haue seen in my lif, than hath the English bible late translatid.'

¹ *Wycl. Bible*, i 57.

CHAPTER II

THE 'RAISON D'ÊTRE' OF THE VERSION.

FROM the explanatory pieces of dialogue found in the Prologue and referred to above, p. xviii ff., it is evident that our version was undertaken at the urgent request of the inmates of some religious house, more especially, to judge from the repeated references to the 'Suster' at the beginning and end of the various Epistles, of a woman vowed to religion.

Many works during the later Middle Ages—and some of the more important ones—were thus written for the use of women and at their request.

Such was for instance the *Ancren Riwele*¹, written in the first half of the thirteenth century for three sisters who in the bloom of youth had forsaken the pleasures of the world to become anchoresses (l. c. p. 192). To about the same time belongs *A Luue Ron*, a spiritual love song, one of the most beautiful productions of the early mystics². Again the *Wooing of our Lord*, a prose rhapsody dating from the fourth decade of the thirteenth century, was designed for a nun if we may believe the concluding words of the treatise, 'Prei for me, mi leue suster, þis haue i writen þe' etc.³

One of the later mystics, Richard Rolle, the Hermit of Hampole, translated the *Psalter* together with Peter Lombard's Commentary upon it 'at a worthy recluse prayer cald dame Merget Kyrkby'. For the same 'Margaretam anachoritam, suam dilectam discipulam' he composed a beautiful prose-tract *The Form of Perfect Living*; for another, 'Moniali de zedingham,' he wrote the equally beautiful

¹ Morton, J., Camden Soc. 1853.

² Morris, *Old Engl. Miscellany*, E.E.T.S. 1872, p. 93 'Incipit quidam cantus quem composuit frater Thomas de Hales de ordine fratrum Minorum ad instanciam cuiusdam puelle Deo dicat.'

³ Morris, *Old English Homilies*, First Ser., Part II, p. 269 ff.

⁴ Bramley, *The Psalter...by Richard Rolle of Hampole*. Oxford, 1884, p. 1.

Ego dormio et cor meum vigilat; for a 'Sorori de Hampole,' *The Commandment of Love to God*¹.

At various periods, from Anglo-Saxon times onwards, the *Rule of St Benet* was translated into English for the benefit of nuns. In a metrical version, written in the Northern dialect and found in a MS. belonging to the beginning of the fifteenth century, the translator takes care to explain his reason for undertaking the work²:

'Monkes & als all leryd men
In Latyn may it lyghtly ken,
And wytt þarby how þay sall wyrk
To sarue God and haly kyrk.
Bott tyll women to mak it outh,
þat leris no Latyn in þar youth,
In Ingles is it orland here
So þat þay may it lyghtly lere.'

There is also an interesting MS. in Trinity College, Cambridge (B. 14. 19 of the fifteenth century), containing amongst other devotional treatises an epistle entitled the *Chastisyng of Goddis children*, clearly written for a nun as can be inferred from the opening lines (f. 5^b): 'In drede of almyȝti God, religious sister, a schort pistle I sende ȝou of þe mater of temptacions which pistle as me þenkiþ mai resonabli be clepid chastisyng of Goddis children.'

Again, the *Myroure of oure Ladye*³ is written for a community of nuns. It is as the title-page tells us 'a devotional treatise on Divine Service with a translation of the offices used by the Sisters of the Brigittine Monastery of Sion at Isleworth during the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries.' Sion Monastery was founded in 1415, and the 'Myroure' was probably written between the years 1415 and 1450 (l. c. p. viii).

From the fact that all these various works are in the vernacular, it may be inferred that the average nun's knowledge of Latin was somewhat scanty. Indeed during the fourteenth century the convents as educational training grounds had greatly deteriorated. Excluded from the Universities and practically from all access to secular learning, with their time and mind given up to devotional exercises and ritual, it is small wonder if the nuns found it in-

¹ Horstman, *Richard Rolle of Hampole*. London, 1895, i pp. 3 ff., 49 ff., 61 ff.

² Kock, E. A., *Three M.E. Versions of the Rule of St Benet*, E.E.T.S. Orig. Ser. No. 120, London, 1902, p. 48.

³ Ed. Blunt, E.E.T.S. 1878.

creasingly difficult to grapple with Latin service-books and Psalters, not to mention less familiar devotional works or texts of Scripture. (Eckenstein, *Woman under Monasticism*, Cambridge, 1896, chap. x.)

Then down to the middle of the fourteenth century French was the legal and official language. It was spoken at Court and by the upper classes¹, and presumably also in the nunneries, where it often replaced Latin as the official language if one may judge from entries in their registers, from petitions and other documents of the time². Consequently the nun who had little or no knowledge of Latin could always have recourse to the French missals, breviaries, ordinals and texts of Scripture which were found in great numbers throughout the country. In the small priory of Easebourne, for instance, numbering five or six nuns, the inventory of goods taken 1450 shows that there was one French Bible and two 'ordinalia' in French³.

But during the second half of the fourteenth century French gradually fell into disuse⁴, and we may surmise that French service-books and Scriptural versions soon became as much of a dead letter to the ordinary inmate of a nunnery as the corresponding Latin volumes.

French maintained itself longest in the religious houses of the South⁵, and we can therefore record but a single Biblical translation into English in this part of the country. This one instance is the text of James, Peter, 1 John and the Pauline Epistles printed in this volume.

Further North, to judge from the number of translations extant, the imperative need of versions in the vernacular must have been earlier felt. Before the middle of the fourteenth century the Book of Psalms had been twice rendered into English, once in Yorkshire by the Hermit of Hampole, once well up in the West Midlands by an unknown translator⁶. Gradually, and in all likelihood before the great Oxford versions attributed to Wycliffe and his school had spread over the country, the whole of the New Testament had been

¹ Paul's *Grdr.* i p. 952 ff.

² Dugdale, *Monasticon*, 'Shaftesbury' ii 471, 'Romsey' ii 507 note, 'Davington' iv 288 'Ankerwyke' iv 229 etc.

³ Blaauw, *Sussex Arch. Collections*, ix 2; cf. Berger, *La Bible française au moyen âge*. Paris, 1884, list of MSS. p. 385 ff., *E.B.V.* p. xvii ff.

⁴ Paul's *Grdr.* i 957.

⁵ Eckenstein, *l.c.* p. 358.

⁶ Bülbring, *Earliest Complete English Prose Psalter*, E.E.T.S. No. 97, cf. *E.B.V.* p. lvi.

translated into English of the North or of the North Midlands. These Northerly versions are as follows: Commentaries upon the Gospels of St Matthew, St Mark and St Luke¹; the Acts and Catholic Epistles as printed in this volume on pp. 123 ff., 42 ff., 209 ff., cf. pp. iv, lxxv; the Pauline Epistles with a Commentary² found in MS. Parker 32, Corpus Christi Coll., Cambridge; finally the Apocalypse with a Commentary. This last was for a long time attributed to Wycliffe³, but I found that in reality it is nothing but a verbal rendering of the famous Norman Apocalypse which dates back as far as the latter half of the twelfth century.

Thus we see that after the Conquest the earliest home of the English Bible was the North of England.

There is no reason to suppose that these versions were anything but orthodox in origin; in fact, as has been pointed out above, Hampole's Psalter and the version here printed were compiled for nuns. The Commentary on the Apocalypse represents the very pink of orthodoxy, exalting the prelates and the religious orders, likening for instance the 'eyes' of the 'Maiden's Son' to 'þe wyse clerkis of w^oli chirche, þat liztnen opere wiþ teching & techen hem wiþ good nsaumple of goode werkes,' his 'head' to 'þe goode prelati of hooli k^hirche,' his hair to 'men of trewe religioun þat shulen be whijte þurȝ hoolinesse & good lijf'. Moreover, the earliest known copy of it (MS. Harl. 874), written in the second third of the fourteenth century, has the name of the owner inscribed in a nearly contemporary hand as Richard Shepard *presbiter*. The Commentaries on the Gospels referred to above were undertaken, as the translator tells us, 'at the suggestyon of Goddys seruant,' and he adds 'gretly in this doying I was comforted of other Goddys seruauntes dyuers'.⁴ Whereby he cannot very well mean anything but that they were in some way within the pale of the Church. Again, the Catholic Epistles of MS. Douce 250⁵ were evidently glossed for the benefit of men in religious orders, if one may judge from a commentary

¹ Cf. *Wycl. Bible*, i p. ix. The Commentary on the Gospel of St John has not come down to us in any MS., but its existence can be inferred from the fact that its prologue together with those of the other Gospels precedes the Commentary on Matthew in MS. Camb. Univ. Libr. li. 2. 12.

² *Wycl. Bible*, i p. xiii.

³ See Forshall and Madden, *Wycl. Bible*, i p. viii, cf. *E.B.V.* p. xxi ff., loci cit., *La Bible française*, Paris, 1884, p. 78 ff.

⁴ fuerit MS. St John's Coll. Cambr. G. 25, f. 19^b, cf. *E.B.V.* p. xxix.

⁵ MS. Camb. Univ. Libr. li. 2. 12, f. 1.

⁶ See Appendix I.

added to James ii 2, ' & perfore if eny man come in-to youre sȳt, þat is, in-to youre cumpenye þat beþ Godes religiouse men in what degre so ȝe be.' Concerning the Pauline Epistles referred to above (MS. Parker 32) there is no direct evidence to connect them with either side, but, as far as I have been able to examine them, they contain nothing but what is strictly orthodox, being, in fact, a mere verbal translation of the Latin, with occasional brief comments on the text.

Concerning the *reading and use* of these vernacular versions it may be of interest to know the opinion of an evidently fair-minded and moderate member of the orthodox party. The author of the 'Chastisyng of Goddis children' (see p. xxv) sets forth his views on this point in the following way:—

f. 62^b 'I scie in þe maner as it was ordeyned; for summe now in þese daies vse to scie on Englishe her Sawter and Matyns of oure Ladi and þe vii Salmes and þe Letanye.

Many men repreueþ to haue þe Sawter or Matyns or þe Gospel in Englisch or þe Bible, bicause þei moun not be translatid in-to no vulg word bi þe word as it stondiþ wipoute greet circumlocucioun aftir þe felyþ of þe firste writeris whiche translaiden þat in-to Latyn bi þe teching of þe Hooli Gost. Neþeles I wole not repreue suche translaciouns, ne I repreue not to haue hem on Englishe, ne to rede on hem where þei mowe stire ȝou to more deuocioun and to þe loue of God. But utterli to vse hem on Englishe and leue þe Latyn I holde it not commendable, and nameli in hem þat ben bounden to scie her Sawter or Matyns of oure Ladi. For a mannys confessour ȝyueþ him in penaunce to scie his Sawter wipouten ony opir wordis, and he go forþ and scie it on Englishe and not in Latyn as it was ordeyned, þis man, I wene, doþ not his penaunce. Skilis I mai schewe resonable and manye, but bi-cause þat I truste to God þat ȝe wole not vse ȝour Sawter in þat maner, perfore I leue off to speken of þis mater and counseile ȝou, as I seide bifore, þat ȝe preie enterly in tyme of ȝour seruyce wherto ȝe ben bounden, bi þe ordynaunce of hooli chirche and in þe maner as it was ordeyned bi oure hooli fadres.'

It is a noteworthy fact that the author of this tract must have lived and written during the earlier part of the Wycliffite movement as he begs the 'sister' to beware of 'summe þat now holde plain and ȝit not openli, but priueli for drede, aȝens confessiouns fastyngs, aȝens worschipping of ymagis and schortli as men sei aȝens alle statis and degrees & lawe or ordinaunce of hooli chirch. Further, he must have written before 1408, as he seems unaware of any prohibition of the use of the Scriptures in the vernacular, as was afterwards made for clerics and laymen alike by the fr

Constitutions of Archbishop Arundel in the above-mentioned year 1408'. The author of the 'Myroure of oure Ladye' writing after 1415 speaks in consequence in a different strain concerning the use of Biblical texts in the vernacular:

'And for as moche as yt is forboden vnder payne of cursyng that no man schulde haue ne drawe eny texte of holy scrypture in-to Englysshe wythout lycense of the bysshop dynocsaun; and in dyuerse places of youre seruyce ar suche textes of holy scrypture; therefore I asked & haue lycence of oure bysshop to drawe suche thinges in-to Englysshe to your gostly comforte and profyt, so that bothe oure coneyence in the drawyng and youres in the hauyng may be the more sewre and clere' (ed. Blunt, p. 71).

And again on p. 3 he refers to the need of special licence:

'Of Psalmes I haue drawn but fewe, for ye may haue them of Rycharde Hampoules drawyng, and out of Englysshe Bibles if ye haue lycence therto.'

From the passages quoted above it would seem as if before 1408 Scriptural versions in the vernacular were freely used by *orthodox members of the Church and religious orders*, who through ignorance were debarred from the use of the Latin and French Bibles.

Still Latin—one of the so-called three sacred languages—was held in greater value, since the mere hearing of it seemed to have conferred an almost sacramental benefit¹, in spite of its not being understood. It was in consequence looked upon as something of a consecration to set forth high matters of Divinity in the 'vulgar,' language that had but lately shaken off the stigma of being the rude speech of the lower classes. This feeling is clearly expressed by the author of the 'Chastisyng of Goldis children.'

'Also, my sister, I drede fore-to writen of suche hiȝe materia, for neiȝer I haue felyng ne knowing openli for-to declare hem in Englisch ne in Latyn, and nameli in Engliche tunge, for it passiȝ fer my witt for-to schewe you in ony maner vulgar þe termes of dyuynyte' (MS. Trin. Coll. Cambr. B. 14. 19, f. 5^b).

¹ Wilkins, *Concilia*, III p. 317; vii Constitutio; '*Ne quis texta S. Scripturæ transferat in linguam Anglicanam...statuimus igitur et ordinamus ut nemo deinceps aliquem textum sacræ scripturæ auctoritate sua in linguam Anglicanam vel aliam transferat, per viam libri, libelli, aut tractatus, nec legatur aliquis hujusmodi liber, libellus, aut tractatus jam noviter tempore dicti Johannis Wycliff, sive citra, compositus, aut in posterum componendus, in parte vel in toto, publice vel occulte, sub majoris excommunicationis pœna, quousque per loci diocesanum, seu, si res exegerit, per concilium provinciale ipsæ translatio fuerit approbata: qui contra fecerit, ut fautor hæresis et erroris similiter puniatur.*'

² Simmons, *Lay-Folks Mass-Book*, E.E.T.S. No. 71, London, 1879, p. 186 f.

It is also present in the mind of the author of the 'Myroure of oure Ladye' when he cautions the nuns of Sion that

'This lokeynge on the Englyshe whyle the Latyn ys redde, ys to be vnderstonde of them that haue sayde theyre mattyns or redde theyr legende before. For else I wolde not counsell them to leue the berynge of the Latyn for entendaunce of the Englyshe' (Blunt, p. 71).

It is a curious fact that the author of our Prologue, though preparing his version for the inmate of some religious house, seems to have entertained considerable fear as to the possible consequences of his action. The passage on p. 4 f. can hardly be otherwise interpreted: 'Broþer, y knowe wel þat y am holde by Cristis lawe to parforme þyn axynge; bote napeles we beþ now so fer y-fallen a-vey from Cristis lawe, þat jif y wolde answeere to þyn axyngeas y *maste in cas vnderfonge þe dep.*'

This passage seems to point to the fact that within some dioceses the translation of English versions and the use of them even amongst the religious was looked upon with more disfavour than in others, which state of things is also indicated by the author of the 'Chastisyng of Goddis children' (p. xxviii). And the disfavour must have been of a remarkably strong nature if it went so far as to endanger the life of the transgressor¹.

As our translator was in all probability a Kentishman (p. xvii) it may be possible to explain his attitude as owing to the exceptionally severe handling of the Lollards in the dioceses of Canterbury and Norwich². Kent had been one of the hot-beds of insurrection during the Peasants' Rising of 1381, one incident of which was the sacrilegious murder of Archbishop Sudbury. Now the 'Poor Priests' were accused of having helped to organise the rising³, which accounts for some of the hostility shown towards them. In 'De Officio Pastoralis,' written in or before 1380⁴, Wycliffe states that the true preachers were stopped and arrested by bishops and lords: 'freris procuren comynly boþe lordis and bischops to lette þis

¹ The passage quoted from our Prologue p. 4 f. has naturally not been referred to by Dr Gasquet in his article on *The Pre-reformation English Bible*, Dublin Review 1894, reprinted as *The Old English Bible and other Essays*, London, 1897, cf. Matthew, F. D., *Engl. Hist. Rev.* Jan. 1895, p. 91, Kenyon, *Our Bible and the Ancient Manuscripts*, London, 1895, p. 204 ff., etc.

² Trevelyan, G. M., *England in the Age of Wycliffe*, 1899, p. 322.

³ Wright, *Pol. Poems*, R. S. p. 235 f., *Rot. Parl.* III 124—5, cf. Trevelyan, *l.c.* p. 363.

⁴ See Trevelyan, *l.c.* p. 363.

preching', and in the same tract (p. 429):—'freris wiþ þer fautours seyn þat it is heresy to write þus Goddis lawe in English, & make it knowun to lewid men.'

Since then, as we have seen, at this early period translation of the Scriptures for 'lewid men' was held to be heretical and consequently punishable, and since the Archbishops of Canterbury were famed for their severity in putting down heresy, it is small wonder if even a good and orthodox churchman within that diocese may have felt some doubt as to the undertaking of such a perilous piece of work, even if it was destined for an equally orthodox member of a religious house.

No divergent opinions seem, however, to have existed amongst the prelates and friars concerning the use of the Scriptures in the vernacular by *laymen*, more especially by the *common people*. In this respect their attitude was wholly condemnatory, and it is well illustrated by the oft-quoted statement by Henry Knighton, Canon of Leicester:

'This Master John Wyclif translated from Latin into English the Gospel which Christ gave to clerks and teachers of the Church, so that they might sweetly minister to the lay folk and infirm etc. In this way he made it vulgar and more open to lay men and women who know how to read than it is wont to be to learned and well instructed clerics. In this way the pearl of the Gospel is scattered broadcast and trodden under foot by swine. And thus, what is wont to be esteemed by clerks and laity as precious is now become as it were the common joke of both; the jewel of the clerics is turned to the sport of the lay people: so that what had before been the heavenly talent for clerks and teachers of the Church is now the commune æternum for the laity¹.'

A similar testimony concerning one of the bishops is given by Wycliffe:

'And herfore oo greet Bishop of Engeland, as men seien, is yvel paied þat Goddis lawe is writun in Englis, to lewids men; and he pursues a preest, for he writiþ to men þis Englishe, and somonip him and traveilliþ him, þat it is hard to him to rowte.' (*Sermons*, S.E.W. I p. 209.)

Concerning the hostility of the friars against the English Bible, the testimony of Wycliffe and his followers is explicit:

'þe freris wiþ þer fautours seyn þat it is heresy to write þus Goddis lawe in English, & make it knowun to lewid men².'

¹ Matthew, p. 444.

² *Chronicon Henrici Knighton*, ed. Lumby, II p. 152. Cf. Gasquet, *Lc.* p. 171 f.

³ *De Officio Pastoralis*, Matthew, p. 429, in all probability written before 1380, see evidence given by Trevelyan, *Lc.* p. 362 f.

'And þus þei [i.e. þe freris] pursuen prestia, for þei reproven þor synnes as God biddeþ, bothe to brenne hom, and þo gospels of Crist writen in Englishe, to moost lernyng of oure nacioun¹.'

'Et ex eodem patet eorum stulticia, qui volunt dampnare scripta tanquam heretica propter hoc quod scribuntur in Anglico et acute tangunt peccata que conturbant illam provinciam².'

The use of the vernacular Bible seems, however, to have been tolerated amongst the wealthier classes:

'But oo confort is of knyghtis, þat þei savoren myche þe Gospel and han wille to rede in Englishe þe Gospel of Cristis liif' (*Wyclif's Sermons*, S.E.W. I 200.)

To sum up, before the Constitutions of Archbishop Arundel in 1408, it appears from the preceding pages as if the Church had raised no serious objection to the use of the Scriptures in English by the clergy, the religious orders and probably by the wealthier members of the community. There is, however, not a scrap of evidence to show that the Church in any way encouraged or even allowed vernacular versions amongst 'the vulgar,' the laity of the middle or lower classes. When the Lollard translations, which were mainly intended for these classes, appeared, they were denounced by the Church.

¹ *Fifty Heresies and Errors of Friars*, S.E.W. III 393, written according to Arnold about 1384.

² Buddensieg, *Polem. Works of Wyclif*, p. 168.

CHAPTER III.

LANGUAGE.

I. VOWELS.

A. O. E. SHORT VOWELS.

FOR the sake of convenience I divide the text printed from MS. S in the following way: S¹ = the Prologue, 1—2 Peter, James, 1 John, the Pauline Epistles; S² = 2—3 John, Jude; S³ = Matthew.

§ 1. O. E. *a* except before nasals and shortened O. E. *ā*
(Morsb. § 87).

O. E. *a* remains, value [a, ǣ]: (a) In closed syllables: *habbe* (inf.) Prol. 47. 25, *habbeþ* (pl.) 1 John i 1, ii 13 etc. Scand. loanwords: *castande* Acts xxv 7, *caste* (imp. sg.) Mt. v 29, 30, *casten* (pt.) Prol. 11. 21, *gabbera* 1 John i 10, v 10 (uncertain whether Scand. or native, see Bj. p. 240, Ekw. p. 25. 1), but *keste* (inf.) Acts xxvii 30, (pt. pl.) xiii 50, 51, xxi 27, xxii 23, (p. p.) xxvii 17, (imp. sg.) xii 8.

Shortened O. E. *ǣ*: *halte* (pt. sg.) Acts v 1, *halewed* Prol. 17. 18, *asched* (pt. pl.) Acts i 6.

(b) O. E. *a* in open syllables: *make* (inf.) Mt. i 21, iii 3, *taks* Mt. ii 13.

§ 2. O. E. *a* (o) before nasals (Morsb. §§ 88—94).

(a) O. E. *a* before single nasal usually remains, value [a, ǣ]: *man* Acts v 38, 1 John ii 27 etc., *bigan* Acts i 1, *can* ib. xxviii 22, Jam. iv 17, *name* Acts i 23, Mt. i 21, 23, 25, 1 Cor. i 10, 13, 15, vi 11, Eph. v 20, Phil. ii 9, 10, Col. iii 17 etc., *many* Acts i 3 etc., 1 John ii 18, 2 John 7, 12, Rom. v 19, 2 Tim. ii 2. But S¹ has *nome* 1 Cor. v 4, three times *mony* 1 Cor. i 26, and *from* throughout except occasionally *fro* (O. N. *frá*) in the Prologue 2. 11, 14; S² S³ and the Acts have regularly *fro*.

(b) O. E. *a* > *o* [æ], before lengthening consonant-groups: *wombe* Acts iii 2, xiv 7, Mt. i 18, 1 Cor. vi 13, Phil. iii 19, Tit. i 12, *lomb* 1 Pet. i 19, 1 Cor. v 7, *honged* Acts i 18, *hongynge* Col. ii 14, *among(es)* Prol. 1. 18, Acts ii 22 etc., *strong(e)* Prol. 8. 16, 1 John ii 14, 1 Cor. i 27 etc., *lond(e)* Prol. 1. 2, 3, Acts xiii 19, Mt. ii 20, 21, Heb. viii 9, Jude 5 etc., *sonde* Acts i 4, *fond(e)* Acts xii 19, 2 Tim. i 17, *hond(e)* Mt. iii 12, Acts ii 18, 1 Cor. xii 21, Gal. vi 11 etc. But in the Acts *lande* vii 29, 36, *sande* xxvii 17, *understande* xxviii 26, *stande* xxvi 22; always *gange* v 34 etc. depending on earlier shortening (Morsb. § 90), similarly *nerchande* i 15, vii 17 (Morsb. § 55, anm. 6).

Before other than lengthening consonant-groups: *answoeren* Col. iv 6 etc. throughout. Before *nk* *a* prevails except occasionally in S¹: *ponke* Rom. vi 17, 1 Cor. i 14, 1 Tim. i 12, *ponkynges* 1 Tim. iv 3, *dronk* Prol. 13. 10, see Morsb. § 94, 2.

§ 3. O. E. *æ* (Merc. Kent. *e*) and earlier shortened O. E. *ǣ* (ē) (Morsb. §§ 95—105).

(a) O. E. *æ* > *a* [a, ā] both in closed and open syllables: *gras* 1 Pet. i 24, 25, *alsfasts* Acts v 10, *almes* ib. iii 2, *pat* 1 Pet. i 3 etc., *pulle* (Lat. *pallium*) Mt. v 40, *fader* 1 John i 2, 3, *water* Mt. iii 16.

O. E. *was* appears with *e* occasionally in S¹: *wes* 1 Pet. i 12, 1 Cor. i 21, ii 3 (twice), 1 Tim. i 14, Prol. 47. 18.

O. E. *after* is *after* throughout S, e.g. Prol. 1. 1, Jude 18, Mt. iv 19; the Acts have usually *efter* (Morsb. § 96, a. 2, l. p. 131) i 3, 5, 10, ii 45 etc. *After* is rare viii 39, xi 25, 29, xii 21, xiii 20, xiv 19, xv 13.

For *heruest* Jude 12, and *weher* p. 47 l. 18 etc., see Morsb. § 96 p. 131.

O. E. *ƿæd(e)rian*, *ƿadrian*, *to-ƿæd(e)re* appear in the Acts with *a* and *i* (Morsb. § 96 p. 131, § 109): *gader* (inf.) xv 25, *gadurd(e)* (p. p.) i 21, v 35, *gadured* (pt. sg.) x 24, (pt. pl.) xii 12, xvii 5, cf. iv 5, xiv 26, xv 30, *gider* (imp. pl.) xix 38, cf. xxviii 3, *togider* i 15, 21, ii 6, iv 15, 24, 26, 27, 32, v 12, 16, 21, 24 etc., less frequently *toguder* i 6, 14, ii 1, 12, 44, 46, x 27, xiv 1 etc.

In S. *e*-forms prevail: *gedere* (inf.) Rom. xii 20, 2 Tim. iv 3, cf. 1 Cor. v 4, Mt. ii 4, iii 12, *togedere* throughout S¹ except in Romans where the proportion of *togedere* : *togydere* = 9 : 1, in 1 Corinthians 10 : 1, 2 Tim. 3 : 1, 1 Pet. 1 : 3, 1 John 0 : 6; Matthew has *togyder* once i 18.

O. E. *ƿænne*, *hwænne* usually have *a*: *ƿanne* Rom. viii 35, Acts ii 14, 42, v 5, 6, 11, Mt. iv 1, 10 etc., *whanne* Acts i 9, 10, 13, ii 1, 6, 15, Mt. iv 2, in S² and S³ more frequently *ƿan* Mt. iv 5, 11, v 29, 37, *whan* Jude 9, Mt. ii 1, 8, 9, 13, 19 etc., in S¹ occasionally *when(ne)* Prol. 13. 2, 12, 25, 27, 28, 14. 5,

1 Cor. xiii 11, Phil. ii 6, Col. iii 4, 1 Thea. iii 4, 6, 2 Thea. i 10, Heb. vii 1, viii 4, 2 Tim. iv 3. Cf. Urk. pp. 28 f., 82. The O. E. form *læwene* occurs in North. texts, see Lindelöf, Glossar.

(b) The shortened O. E. *æ* (*ē*) gives double forms with *e* and *a* (Morsb. § 96 p. 132 f.).

(a) O. E. *æ*=Gmc. *ai*. S¹ has frequent *a*-forms: *eferlastyngs* 1 John i 2 etc. throughout, *crastlyngs* Eph. vi 12, *lasse* (comp.) 1 Tim. v 9, Heb. ii 9, vii 7, *laſte* (pt. sg.) Tit. i 5, *y-laſt* Heb. iv 1, 9, x 26, 1 Thea. iv 16, *leſte* (pt. sg.) 1 Pet. iv 1, *y-left* 1 Cor. vi 4, *ladde* (pt. sg.) Prol. 2. 2, 13, Heb. ii 10, Col. ii 15, *lad(e)* (pt. sg.) Prol. 9. 8, 24, 10. 9, *y-lad* 2 Pet. iii 17, 1 Cor. xii 2, Gal. v 18, Heb. xiii 9, *clansyþ* (pra. sg.) 1 John i 7, *clansyngs* Heb. ix 13, Prol. 16. 29, *clansed* (part.) Prol. 16. 5, *vndænnesss* Eph. iv 12, 1 Thea. iv 7, Rom. xiii 13, 2 Pet. ii 10, Col. iii 5; *clensen* 1 John i 9, *clensyngs* Prol. 16. 19, *y-clensed* 2 Pet. iii 6, *vndænnesss* Jam. i 21, *any* Phil. ii 1, iii 11, Heb. iv 1 etc., more frequently *eny* 1 Pet. ii 12, iii 14 etc. (once *ony* 1 Tim. v 21); *crapþe* (O. E. *cræþþo*, *wræþþo*) Mt. iii 7 etc. throughout S.

S² and S³ have *e*-forms, except *euerlastyngs* Jude 6, 7, 21, e.g. *leſte* (pt. sg.) Mt. iv 11, (pt. pl.) 20, (part.) 13, *led* (part.) Mt. iv 1; the Acts have *e* as a rule: *ledde* (pt. sg.) vii 36, 40 (pt. pl.) ix 30, xvii 19, *leſte* (pt. sg.) xii 14, *lesse* xxvi 22, *spred(de)* (part.) v 36, viii 4, but *a* always in *lustands* etc. i 14, *any* viii 31 etc. and exceptionally in *ladde* (pt. sg.) v 26, *cladde* (pt. sg.) xii 21, *dalte* (pt. sg.) xiii 19. The imper. *late* xvi 35, xix 38 and part. *laten* iv 23, x 11, xi 5, xvi 35, xxvi 32, xxviii 18 are due to Scand. influence (O. Swed. *lāta*, O. N. *lāta*, cf. Bj. i p. 91), the *a* is regular throughout. Exceptional *me(e)ste* viii 10, Heb. viii 11, beside *mo(o)ste* xxii. 5, xvii 11 etc. corresponds to O. E. *mæst* and *mæst*.

(β) W. S. *æ*, Angl. *ē*=Gmc. *æ*. Forms with *e* prevail, *a* occurs exceptionally in S¹: *dradde* (pt. sg.) Heb. xi 23, *y-rad* Heb. ix 19, but *dredde* (pt. pl.) Acts xvi 38, (pt. sg.) x 7, Mt. ii 22, *redde* (pt. sg.) Acts viii 32, 35, (part.) xiii 27, always *edder* Prol. 2. 35, 3. 22, Jam. iii 7, *nedder(s)* Acts x 12, xxviii 3, *nedderis* Mt. iii 7; on Scand. influence depends probably *blaste* Acts xxvii 40, see Morsb. § 96 p. 133 and Bj. p. 84.

§ 4. O. E. *ē*, *ę* and shortened O. E. *ē*, *eo*.

These *e*-sounds are usually written *e* (*ea*); value [ē] in closed, [e—ē] in open syllables, before lengthening consonants [ē] (Morsb. § 106).

(a) Short O. E. *ē*, *ę* in closed syllables except before length. cons.: *helle* Prol. 2. 29, *nempned* (part.) Heb. iii 13, *legge* (inf.) Prol. 13. 20, *seggeþ* (pra. pl.) 1 Thea. iv 14, *mysseggere* 1 Cor. v 11.

(b) Shortened O. E. *ē* (*eo*): *kepped* (pt. sg.) Acts xvi 27, *deppet(e)* Prol. 2. 11, 17, *lette* (pt. sg. < O. E. *lētan*) Prol. 13. 20, *betty* (pt. sg. < O. E. *bēatan*) Acts xxii 19, *wepped* (pt. pl. < O. E. *wēpan*) Acts ix 39.

The above preterites *lette* and *betty* may of course be explained as M. E. formations from their respective infinitives, in which case they would belong to §§ 3 and 19.

O. E. *ȝ* before nasal + palatal *c*, *ȝ* + *t*, *d* > *ey* in S¹: *dreynte* (pt. sg.) Prol. 4. 17, *adreynt* (part.) ib. 9. 11, *y-apreynd* (part.) Heb. ix 13, *spreynde* (pt. sg.) ib. ix 19. See Morsb. § 107. 3.

M. E. *e* > *a* before nasal + consonant occasionally in S¹: *brannep* (sg.) 1 Cor. iii 15, *y-brand* 2 Pet. iii 10, Heb. vi 8, beside more usual *brenne(n)* (inf.) Jam. iii 6, Mt. iii 12, *brennyng* 2 Pet. iii 12, cf. 2 Pet. i 19, Prol. 14. 22, 1 Cor. vii 9 (Morsb. § 108 1).

O. E. *lȝttan* has occasional *a*-forms in S¹: *lattyng* 1 Cor. vii 35, 1 Tim. v 21, *latte* (pa. sg. subj.) Heb. xii 15, beside usual *e*. Cf. Acts vii 56, 1 Thea. ii 18.

M. E. short *e* > an [i]-sound before dentals in the following cases (Morsb. § 109): *lyte* (O. E. *lȝt*) Mt. iii 15, *togider*, *togydere*, *gider*, see § 3; *bryperen*, *briperen* in S¹ beside more frequent *breperen*, the proportions being in 1 Pet. 1: 2, 2 Pet. 2: 3, James 5: 9, Rom. 1: 5, 1 Cor. 6: 3 etc.; *bryperhed(e)* 1 Pet. i 22, 2 Pet. i 7 (twice), elsewhere *e*-forms; in S² S³ *breperen* only: Mt. iv 18, 3 John 5 (twice), 10, Jude 17, 20; the Acts have *breper* throughout.

Further, in S¹ only *u* for O. E. *ȝ*, *eo* (*eo*) in *sugge* (pra. sg.) 1 Cor. i 12, 15, *suggen* (pra. pl.) 1 Cor. i 10, *suggyng* Heb. viii 13, x 8, *fulle* (pt. sg. < O. E. *fullan*) 1 Pet. iv 12, *fullen* (pt. pl.) Heb. xi 30 (cf. Q. F. 63 p. 106 f.).

O. E. *þencean* has *i*- and *e*-forms in S¹: *þink* (imp.) Prol. 7. 5, 19, cf. Heb. xii 3, 2 Tim. i. 5, Prol. 5. 20, 1 Cor. vii 34 (twice), *by-þenche* (imp. sg.) 1 Tim. iv 15, *þenkep* (pra. sg.) 1 Cor. vii 32, xiii 6, cf. Phil. iv 8, Heb. x 17; in S² no instance, in S³ *þenkyng* once Mt. i 20; the Acts have *e*-forms: *þenke* (inf.) xx 35, *þenkyng* xvii 29, cf. x 19, once *ȝhe þinke* v 35 (Morsb. § 109).

(c) O. E. *ȝ*, *ȝ* before lengthening consonant-group, value [ȝ, ȝ̃] (see Morsb. § 110). *Sende* (inf.) 3 John 13, *tendeþ* (pra. sg.) Jam. iii 6, *wende* (inf.) Acts i 11, *felde* ib. i 19 etc.

(d) O. E. *ȝ*, *ȝ* in open syllables, M. E. *ȝ*, for value of this sound see Morsb. § 111: *meate* Acts xxvii 34, *eten* (pra. pl.) Prol. 3. 7 etc.

§ 5. O. E. *i* and shortened O. E. *i*.

The O. E. *i* remains as a rule, written *i*, *y*, value *i* [i'] (Morsb. § 112).

(a) In closed syllables: *wylne* (imp. pl.) Jam. iii 1, *lygge* (inf.) Prol. 14. 12, *syȝt* Prol. 3. 10 etc. Shortened O. E. *i*: *wysdom* Jam.

iii 15, 17, *lyckned* (part.) Jam. i 23, cf. Mt. vi 8, Heb. vii 3; before lengthening consonants: *fynde* (pra. sg.) Rom. vii 18, *chylde* 1 Cor. xiii 11, *þinge* 1 Cor. xiii 10.

(b) In open syllables: *wydwoces* Acts ix 39, *hider* ib. x 21, *abiden* (part.) Acts xxviii 6, *risen* ib. x 40, 41.

M. E. *i* > *e* [*i*'] sporadically (Morsb. §§ 113—115); in closed syllables: *blesse* (O. E. *bliss*, *blīþa*, but cf. N. E. D.) 1 Pet. v 10, *kandelsteke* (O. E. *candelsticca*, but cf. Morsb. § 115. 6) Mt. v 15, *y-lekened* (cf. *lyckned* § 5a) Heb. ii 17, not unfrequently *-eng(e)* for *-ing*; *spryngenge* 1 Cor. v 7, *seyenge* Heb. iv 7, Jude 11, cf. Rom. viii 4, Heb. ii 9, 1 Cor. ii 1, S² has 14 *-enge*, 31 *-ynge*; for *scþþe* Prol. 4. 26, 10. 1, 2 Pet. iii 11, 17 etc. by the side of *siþþe* see Morsb. § 143, 3;—in open syllables: *vnderneme* (imp. sg.) 1 Tim. v 20, *vndernemeþ* (ps. sg.) 1 John iii 20, beside more frequent *i*-forms: 1 John iii 21, Eph. v 11, Tit. ii 15, 2 Tim. iii 16, iv 2 etc., *speryte* Mt. v 3, *wetep* Prol. 11. 18, *aresen* (part.) Col. iii 1, *steghne* (part.) Acts x 4, *lefed* (! Late W. S. *leafode*, *lyfode*, Siev. Gr. § 416. 2 c) Rom. vii 9; occasionally *-schep* (< O. E. *-scipe*): *nakedschep* Rom. viii 35, *wedewe* 1 Tim. v 4, *meke* Acts xxiv 2, *besy* ib. xviii 5, *besily* ib. xviii 25, 26; *skelis* Prol. 8. 3, 5 (Kent. Ayenb. Schor.) is probably due to a Scand. form represented by O. Swed., O. Dan. *skial*, see Bj. p. 126.

The 3 sg. *ez*, the reg. form in the Acts, may be due partly to its unaccented position in the sentence, partly to analogy with the other North. present-forms *erte* § 88 and *er(e)*. Another explanation is offered by Luick p. 238, § 427.

§ 6. O. E. *o* and shortened O. E. *ō*.

Written *o* throughout, value [ɔ, ɔ̃] in closed syllables (Morsb. §§ 116—118); on the value of the lengthened *ō* in open syllables, see Morsb. § 119.

(a) In closed syllables: *folkke* Acts iv 16, 17, *flok* 1 Pet. v 2, 3; shortened O. E. *ō*: *softe* 1 Pet. iii 4; before length. consonants: *worde* Acts viii 25 etc., *korne* Mt. iii 12, *gold* Prol. 11. 20.

(b) In open syllables: *y-boren* (part.) 1 John v 19, *y-stolen* Eph. iv 28, *y-roted* (part.) Jam. v 2.

§ 7. O. E. *u* and shortened O. E. *ū*.

Written *u*, *o*, value [*u*']; before the lengthening consonants *mb*, *nd* written *ou*, in the Acts *ow*, value [*ū*] (Morsb. §§ 121—126).

(a) In closed syllables: *ful* 1 John i 4, *cunynge* 1 Pet. iii 7,

connynges 1 Tim. vi 21, 2 Pet. i 5, *enkyunynghnesses* 2 Pet. ii 16, *curasþ* (pa. pl.) Jam. iii 9, *curzynges* 2 Pet. ii 15, Jam. iii 10, *sunne* Mt. v 45, Jam. i 11, Acts xxvi 13, *sonne* Eph. iv 26, Acts ii 20, xiii 11, xxvii 20, *tunge(s)* Jam. i 26, Acts ii 26, xxvi 14, 1 Tim. iii 8, Acts xix 6, *tonge* Jam. iii 5, 6, 8, 9, 1 John iii 18, Phil. ii 11, *dronken* (part.) Eph. v 18, 1 Cor. xi 21, 1 Thea. v 7, *dronkeleu* 1 Cor. v 11, *drunken* (part.) Acts ii 15, *ronne* (pt. pl.) Gal. v 7, *y-ronne* (part.) Phil. ii 16, *runnen* (pt. pl.) Acts v 16, *songen* (pt. pl.) Prol. 11. 35, *y-sprongen* (part.) 1 Thea. i 8. Shortened O. E. *u*: *buzum* Rom. vi 16, Prol. 1. 4, *bozum* Rom. vi 12, 16.

O. E. *þurh* appears in S. as *þorow*, *þorowz*, *þoroz*, *þorowz*, Prol. 8. 10, 1 Pet. iv 16, 2 Pet. iii 5, 7, 12 etc., in the Acts as *þurgh* ii 22, 23, 30 etc.

O. E. *u* before *mb*, *nd*: *dounbe* 2 Pet. ii 16, 1 Pet. ii 15, *grownde* Acts xvi 26, *hound* 2 Pet. ii 22, *y-bounde(n)* Rom. vii 2, 1 Cor. vii 27, *unbounden* (part.) Rom. vii 6, *bounden* (part.) Acts xx 22, *y-founde* Prol. 6. 6, Rom. vii 10, *founden* (p. p.) Acts xiii 22, (pt.) Mt. ii 11, *founde(n)* (part.) Mt. ii 8, 2 John 4, (pt. pl.) 1 Pet. ii 10, but exceptionally *dombe* 1 Cor. xii 2; with liquid or nasal in the following syllable: *wondur(e)s* Acts ii 43, iv 30, vi 8, xiv 3 etc., *wondres* 2 Thea. ii 9, Heb. ii 4, *wondurful* 1 Pet. ii 9, *awonderde* Acts iii 10, *isonder* Acts viii 1.

(b) In open syllables the writing *o* prevails: *louep* 1 John iv 7, ii 10 etc., *come* (part.) Jude 4, (inf.) 2 John 12 etc., *y-comen* Heb. viii 6, *wonynges* 2 Pet. ii 8, *vndernomen* (part.) Eph. v 13, *-nomyne* (part.) Tit. i 11, *schonye* (imp. sg.) 1 Tim. vi 20, 2 Tim. ii 23, *sons* Acts iv 36, vii 21, Mt. i 21, 1 Tim. i 18, Heb. i 5 etc., *dore* Acts v 9, xii 13, Col. iv 3, Mt. vi 6.

§ 8. O. E. *y* (e) and shortened O. E. *ȳ* (ē).

S¹ sometimes retains the old sound, written *u*, when lengthened *uy*, value [ū, ū], sometimes, though less frequently, *i* (*y*)- and *e*-forms [e, ē] appear. S² and S³ have *i* (*y*), less frequently *u*, *uy*; the Acts have *i* (*y*), value [i^e, i^ē], as a rule, occasionally *e* [e, ē] through the influence of certain consonants (Morsb. § 127).

1. O. E. *y* (e), *ȳ* (ē) in S¹.

(a) On late O. E. *i* for earlier *y* the following cases depend which occur throughout S (Siev. Gr.² § 31a). Always *kyng* (-dom, -lyche) Prol. 8. 27, 33, 1 Pet. ii. 9, 14, 17, Mt. ii 1, 2 etc., *kynde*

(*man-, vn-, -lyche, -ly*) Jude 10, 1 Pet. ii 9, Jam. iii 7, 8, 2 Tim. iii 2 etc., *kyndedes* Col. i 26, Mt. i 17, *kyndomes* Jam. v 4.

On O. E. *bisiȝ* (later also *bysiȝ*) depends constant *bysȝ*: *bysȝnesses* 1 Pet. v 7, Jam. v 16, Rom. xii 8 etc.; on O. E. *byczan*, later *biczȝan*: *forbugge* (pra. pl.) Eph. v 16, *bugȝeȝ* (pra. pl.) 1 Cor. vii 30, *forbuggynge* Rom. viii 23, 1 Cor. i 30, Heb. ix 15, Col. i 13, iv 5 beside *fore-byȝenge* Tit. ii 14. The late O. E. forms *hire*, *-a*, *hyre*, *-a* appear as *hire*, *hure* §§ 63, 64, for *here* see Urk. p. 121.

(b) O. E. *y* in closed syllables.

(a) Always *u* in *furst(e)* Prol. 18. 2, 3, 1 Pet. i 11, 2 Pet. i 20, iii 3, Jam. iii 17, 1 John iv 10, Rom. viii 23, 1 Cor. xii 28, Eph. vi 2, Col. i 15, 18, 19, 1 Thea. ii 2, iv 15, 2 Thea. ii 3, 12 etc., *a-prust* Rom. xii 20, *churche(s)* Jam. v 14, 1 Cor. xi 16, 17, 22, xii 28, Eph. v 23, 24, 25, 29, 32, Col. i 18, 24, 1 Thea. ii 14, 2 Thea. i 4, Heb. ii 12, xii 23, 1 Tim. iii 5, 15, *hul*, *hulles* Prol. 10. 9, 11, 12, 11. 6, 9, 16, 31, 13. 9, 1 Cor. xiii 2, Heb. viii 5, xi 38, xii 20, 22; shortened O. E. *ȝ*: *y-hud*, *hudde* Prol. 3. 17, 1 Pet. iii 4, 2 Pet. iii 5, 8, 1 Cor. ii 7, Heb. xi 23, Col. i 26, ii 3, iii 3, 1 Tim. v 25; before lengthening consonants: *y-buld* 1 Pet. ii 5, Heb. iii 4, Col. ii 6, *buldeȝ* 1 Cor. iii 10, *buyldynge* Eph. iv 12, 16, 1 Pet. ii 8, 1 Cor. iii 9, *buyldȝeȝ* (sg. pra.) 1 Cor. iii 10, 12, *y-buyld* 1 Cor. iii 14, *gurde* (inf.) Prol. 12. 3, *burpene(s)* Gal. vi 2, 6; with liquid or nasal in the following syllable: *buyldere* 1 Cor. iii 10.

On late O. E. *y* < *ie* depend: *hurnynge* Prol. 16. 30, *hurneȝ* 1 Pet. iv 4 (< O. E. *iernan*, later *yrnan*), *ȝurstay* Heb. xiii 8 (O. E. *ȝiestran dæg*, late W. S. *ȝyrstandæg*).

(β) *u* with occasional *i* (*y*)-forms in the following cases: *uchuche* prevails but *whyche* 1 Pet. i 6, Jam. i 24, 1 Thea. i 5, iv 2, Heb. iii 6, 2 Tim. iii 11, *whyche-fer* Gal. v 10, vi 16; *gult* 2 Pet. ii 14, *gulty* Jam. ii 10, 1 Cor. xi 27, *agulteȝ* (pa. sg.) Tit. iii 11, once *ȝyltes* Heb. vii 27; *fulfulle(n)*, *-ed* etc. 1 Thea. ii 16, iii 10, 2 Thea. i. 11, 2 Tim. iv 5, i 4, Gal. v 14, vi 2, Eph. iv 10, Rom. xiii 8, Prol. 13. 27, Heb. vi 11, but *y*-forms 2 Pet. i 2, ii 13, Phil. ii 2, Col. i 9, 25, Gal. v 16; *stuntynge* 1 Thea. ii 13, v 17, *styntynge* 1 Thea. i 2; before length. consonants: *murȝe* Heb. xi 25, *myrȝe* Prol. 11. 35; *muynde* Prol. 18. 3 etc. (11 x), *mynde(s)* 2 Pet. i 15, iii 2 etc. (10 x).

O. E. *synn*, *synȝian* etc. have mostly *y*; thus *i* (*y*)-forms only in 2 Peter, James, 1 John, Hebrews, 1—2 Timothy; in the Prologue *i* (*y*): *u* = 17 : 1, in 1 Peter 3 : 1, Rom. 2 : 36, 1 Cor. 2 : 1, Eph. 0 : 1.

(γ) *u*- and *e*-forms in *gran* 1 Tim. iii 7, vi 9, *grunnes* 2 Tim. ii 26, *gren* 1 Cor. vii 35.

(c) O. E. *y* (e), *ȳ* (ē) in open syllables appear as

(α) *u* in *stude* Eph. iv 27.

(β) *u* and *i* (y) in *dude*(st), *duden* Prol. 3. 22, 8. 35, 10. 6, 12. 5, 13. 8, 14. 19, 30, 1 Cor. xi 23, 1 Tim. i 13, Heb. iii 15, iv 10, vii 27, *dyde*, *dide* Prol. 1. 4, 1 Pet. ii 22; *muchē* [ū or u° Morsb. § 133 p. 180] the regular form, *myche* occasionally Prol. 15. 2, 1 Pet. ii 12, 1 Thea. ii 2, 2 Cor. vi 4, 1 Tim. iii 8, Heb. xiii 19.

(γ) *u* and *e*: *luther* Eph. vi 13, *lether* Tit. i 12; *y-buryed* Col. ii 12, *y-beryed* Rom. vi 4, *schunye* 1 Tim. iv 7 [ū- or u°-sound, cf. *schonye* 1 Tim. v 11, vi 20, O. E. *scynian*, *scunian*], *schenye* 2 Tim. ii 16, iii 5, Tit. iii 9, 10.

(δ) *y* and *e*: *yfel*, *yuel*(e) Prol. 1. 12, 3. 9, 4. 2, 1 Pet. ii 12, iii 9, 10, 12, 17 etc., more frequently than *efel*, *euel* Rom. vii 19, 21, xii 9, 17, 21, xiii 3, 4, 10, 1 Cor. vii 36 etc.

(e) *e* only in *stere*, *y-stered* etc. 2 Pet. ii 14, iii 1, Jam. i 14, Eph. vi 4, 1 Tim. vi 2.

For the above *e*-forms see also Morsb. §§ 114, 115, but since the change of M. E. *i* > *e* (§ 5) is rare in S', they are most likely due to Kentish influence.

2. O. E. *y*, *ȳ* in S² and S³ are as a rule *i*-, *i*-sounds.

(a) In closed syllables: *schytt* (imp. sg.) Mt. vi 6, *synned* (pt. pl.) Jude 7, *synful* Jude 15, *fulfyllled* (part.) Jude 2, *-fyllē* (inf.) Mt. iii 15, cf. Mt. i 22, ii 15, 17, 23, iii 15, v 6, 17, *hyllē* Mt. v 1, 14, *gylty* v 22, *hyd* (sb.) Mt. vi 6; before length. consonants: *mynde* Jude 17.

(b) In open syllables: *yuel*(e) 3 John 11 (twice), Jude 14, Mt. v 11, 37, 39, vi 13, *dide* Mt. i 24, *dyde* Jude 7, *bysyly* Mt. ii 7, 8, *bysynesee* Jude 3, *mychil* Mt. ii 18, vi 7, *myche* Mt. vi 7.

Exceptionally *u* in *whuche* throughout S² S³, *churche* 3 John 6, 9, 10, *þrusten* (prs. pl.) Mt. v 6 [ū < O. E. *þyrstan*, or u° on analogy with O. E. *þurst*], once *e* bef. *r* in *ferst* Mt. v 24 (Morsb. § 129. 2).

3. The Acts render O. E. *y*, *ȳ* regularly by *i*-, *i*-sounds, written *i*, *y* (Morsb. §§ 128, 129), rarely by *e*.

(a) In closed syllables: *filled* (part.) ii 13, *synne* vii 59, *firste* i 1, *wirche* (prs. sg.) xiii 41, *girdels* xix 12; before length. consonants: *mynde* ii 6; shortened O. E. *ȳ*: *hiddels* (O. E. *hȳdels*) xxvi 26.

On O. E. *fylzian* or O. N. *fylgja* the following *i*-forms depend: *flowande* xiii 42, *flowed* xxi 38, *flowar* xxii 3, *flowers* xxi 20 beside more usual *o*-forms < O. E. *folzian*: xiii 43, 44, xii 8, 9 etc.

Before nasals *e* occurs always in *kenge(s)* iv 26, vii 18, xiii 21, xvii 7, xxvi 13, 19, 26, 27, 28, *-dam(s)* viii 25, xiv 21, *-dome* i 3, 6, xxviii 23, *kendames* viii 1, cf. § 5; in *me þenke* 'mihi videtur' xxv 27 the *e* may be due to the influence of *þenke* (O. E. *þencean*), see § 4 (Morsb. §§ 113, 114). Before *r*, *e* occurs once in *hermes* xxvi 26 (O. E. *hyrne*), see Morsb. § 129. 2, p. 167.

(b) In open syllables: *biried* (pt. pl.) v 6, *stired* (part.) iv 31, *myche* i 5, xv 32 etc., *mykel* iv 16, x 7, with *e* according to § 5: *meke* xxiv 2, *besy* xviii 5, *besily* xviii 25, 26.

B. O. E. LONG VOWELS.

§ 9. O. E. *a*.

Written *o*, *oo*, value [*a*], Morsb. § 134: *holy* i John ii 20, iii 3, *wot* (sg.) i John ii 11, *lore* 2 John 9, 10, *þore* (O. E. *þara*, *þar*) Acts ii 2, *þoo* Acts xvii 11.

The Northern *ā* occurs once in the Acts: *takens* ii 22.

Double forms with *ō* and *ā*, depending on O. E. forms with or without mutation (Morsb. § 137): *mo(o)ste* Acts xxii 5, xx 38, *meeste* Acts viii 10; *-hēd* in *princehede* Jude 6, *bryperhed(e)* i Pet. i 22, 2 Pet. i 7 (twice), *manhede* Acts xxviii 2, *breperhede* Heb. xiii 1, *euenhede* Acts xvii 31, *apostulhed* ib. i 25, *-hōd* in *presthod(e)* Heb. vii 5, 11, 12, 24, i Pet. ii 5, 9.

O. E. (*n*)*ā-vriht* is in the Acts *oghte* xxiv 19, *noghte* i 4, xviii 15, xxvi 19 etc. throughout; *S*² and *S*³ have *not* as a rule, *nozt*, *nowzt* Mt. ii 18, v 39, 2 John 7, 8, 11, 3 John 4; *S*¹ has *nozt*, occasionally *not* Prol. 1. 15, 2. 1 etc., *ouzt* i Cor. iii 7.

§ 10. W. S. *Angl.* *æ* (Gmc. *ai*) and W. S. *Angl. Kent.* *ē* (Gmc. *æ*).

Written *e*, *ee*, value *ē*, *ē* (see Morsb. Urk. p. 43 ff., t. Br. §§ 23—25): see Jam. i 6, *er* Prol. 4. 19, 17. 17, *seed* i Pet. i 23, *where* Prol. 3. 16 etc., *wherto* Acts i 11, ix 4 etc., with less frequent *wharfors* 2 Pet. i 12, Acts viii 11, Eph. vi 13, *wharto* i Cor. v 10, Col. ii 20, Acts v 9, vii 26, xv 10 due to shortening § 3, or possibly to *r*-infl. § 34; *þer(e)* except in the Acts where *þore* ii 2 etc. is frequent (< O. E. *þar*, *þāra* Siev. Gr.² § 321. 2, Bj. p. 97).

Characteristic of the Acts is the pret. *wore(n)* i 6, ii 1 etc. which is more frequent than *were(n)* i 14, ii 1, 4, 41, 44, further *or* xxiii 15 (also in

Mt. i 18) < late O. E. *dr* acc. to Skeat, Kluge-Lutz and Ekwall p. 46. 1, but probably due to Scand. influence, Bj. pp. 86, 108, 200, Kluge Gdr.² i p. 1033, cf. for these words N. E. D., Morsb. Urk. p. 46, Bülbring, Q. F. 63 p. 59.

O. E. *ēlc* 'omnis' is in the Acts regularly *iche*: iii 2, 23, 26 etc., in S² and S³ *eche* 2 John 5, 9, Mt. iii 10, iv 4, v 32, vi 11 (no instances in 3 John, Jude); in S¹ 'omnis' is regularly rendered by *eferick(e)* James i 5, 14, 17 etc., seldom *efereck* 1 Cor. xi 5.

O. E. *æȝ(hwæ)per*, *næȝ(hwæ)per*, *dhwæper*, *ndhwæper* appear in the Acts as *noper* ii 31, iii 6, xix 37, *neper* ii 31, viii 21, and *eyper* used pronominally vii 26. In S¹ *nouper* 1 Cor. vii 15, 19, xi 11, 16, vi 9, iii 7, Prol. 5. 17; in S² *neyper* Mt. v 34, 35, *noyper* Mt. v 35; O. E. *nd-ȝe-hwære* gives *nowyers* Heb. ii 16.

§ 11. O. E. æ.

Written *e*, *ee*, value [ē], see Morsb. Urk. p. 46, t. Br. §§ 23, 26: *set* Prol. 15. 21, *queene* Acts viii 27, *sechen* (inf.) 1 Cor. vii 27.

§ 12. O. E. i.

Written *i*, *y*, value [i], cf. Urk. p. 47, t. Br. §§ 21, 22: *wys* Prol. 1. 19, *lyche* Jam. v 17, *abide* (inf.) Acts i 4.

§ 13. O. E. o remains written o, oo, value [ō].

Cf. t. Br. §§ 30—32, Urk. p. 47: *goode* 1 John iii 12, *stode* (pt. sg.) Acts ii 14, *schoyeþ* (imp. pl.) Eph. vi 15.

§ 14. O. E. ū.

Written *ou*, in the Acts principally *ow*, value [ū]. Cf. t. Br. §§ 33, 34, Urk. p. 48: *house(s)* Acts ii 2, Heb. xi 9, *roust*, *y-rousted* Jam. v 3, *lowde* Acts vii 59, *housinge* Acts iv 11.

§ 15. O. E. ȝ.

Written *uy* in S¹, value [ȝ], in S² and Acts *i y*, value [i]. Cf. t. Br. §§ 21, 49, Urk. p. 49, Morsb. § 133: *fuyr* Prol. 11. 20, 13. 30, 14. 1, 1 Pet. i 7, 2 Pet. iii 7, 12, 1 Cor. iii 13, 15 etc., *huydyng*e Prol. 6. 24, Heb. vi 19, *fuyry* Eph. vi 16, *luytel* 1 Pet. i 7, v 10, 2 Pet. ii 18, 1 Tim. iv 8, Heb. ii 9, beside frequent *lytel* Prol. 5. 12, 6. 26, Jam. iv 14, 1 Cor. xiii 11 etc. which points to shortening. S² has *fuyr* once Jude 7, *fyre* once ib. 23. S³ and the Acts: *fire* Acts ii 3, Mt. iii 10, 11, *hyre* Acts i 18, *hyre* Mt. v 12, vi 4.

C. O. E. SHORT DIPHTHONGS.

I. *Breaking.*§ 16. *O. E. ea (Angl. æ) < a before r + cons.*

is *a* throughout, value [a], t. Br. §§ 12, 48, Urk. p. 50: *markes* Gal. vi 17, *maryzes* Heb. iv 12, *warde* (sb.) Acts xii 10, *inward* Rom. vii 22, *-nesse* 2 Cor. vi 12, *harded* Prol. 8. 32, *art* Prol. 3. 24. The Acts have *erte* (once *arte* xxi 38); further *pider-*, *efter-*, *afterwoorde* ix 3, v 7, xii 21 owing to weak stress, cf. Siev. Gr.² § 51.

§ 17. *W. S. Kent. ea, Angl. æ (ā) before l + cons.*

Before *ld* regularly *o* [ā], before other *l*-combinations *a* [a]. Cf. Urk. p. 49, t. Br. §§ 16, 29, 48: *y-tolde* 1 Cor. i 11, *soldes* (part.) Acts i 18, but *aldere* 1 Tim. v 1 (Morsb. § 57 c); *halte* (adj.) Acts xiv 7, *walken* (inf.) 1 John ii 6.

§ 18. *W. S. Kent. ea, Angl. æ before h or h + cons.* Urk. p. 51, t. Br. §§ 11, 12, 41, 44, 48.

Before *x*, *a* and *e*: *ax* Mt. iii 10, *waxe* (imp. pl.) 2 Pet. iii 18, *waxeþ* (pra. sg.) 2 Thea. i 3, *waxynge* 1 Cor. iii 6, *wexen* (pra. pl.) 1 Thea. iv 1, *wexynge* Col. ii 19.

Before *ht*, *h*, see § 30. 5.

§ 19. *O. E. eo before r, l + cons.*

Written *e*, value [e], before lengthening cons. [ē]. Urk. p. 53, t. Br. §§ 11, 48: *sterre(s)* 2 Pet. i 19, Jude 13, Heb. xi 12, *þerf* Prol. 18. 1, 1 Cor. v 7, *swerd(e)* Rom. viii 35, Heb. iv 12, Acts xii 2, *hymselfen* Acts i 18 etc., *hym-selfe* Jam. i 26 etc.

§ 20. *O. E. eo < e before h + cons.*

This breaking is supplanted by the later so-called palatal umlaut. Cf. t. Br. §§ 10, 48, Urk. p. 69, Siev. Gr.² § 108: *righte* Acts vii 55, *highte* (pt. sg.) ib. xiii 32, xvii 7, *fyȝt* 1 Tim. vi 12, *fyȝteþ* (pra. pl.) 1 Pet. ii 11, *knyghtes* Acts xxiii 23, 31, *size* Prol. 15. 5, 17. 20, 25, 28. The Acts have *reghte* vii 37, *sexe* xi 12, xviii 11, *sezte* (?) xix 9. But *i*-sound [i'] in *bitwixe* Acts xv 9, see Siev. Gr.² §§ 84. 1, 329. 1.

§ 21. *The i-umlaut of O. E. ea, eo (W. S. ie, y, i, Angl. e, io etc.) appears as e throughout.* t. Br. § 35, Urk. p. 55: *elders* Acts ii 17, *elde* ib. iv 22, *eldren* 1 Pet. v 5, 1 Tim. v 4, *schepherdes* 1 Pet. v 4, *soerms* Acts x 47, xi 17.

II. u-, o-umlaut.

§ 22. *O. E. eo as u-umlaut of e is e [e].* Urk. p. 54: *seuen* Acts xiii 19, xxi 8, *seuepe* Jude 14, *heuens* Mt. v 12, 18, 34, 1 Thea. i 10 etc.

§ 23. *O. E. io, later ie, i, y, lute W. S. eo as u- o-umlaut of i is i, y [i'], in S' occasionally e [e, ε].* Urk. p. 54: *siluer-maker* Acts xix 24, *syhuer* Acts xvii 29, iii 6, Jam. ii 18, *sylfer* 2 Tim. ii 20, *sipen* Acts xvii 29, *sippe* Prol. 7. 22, 1 Pet. i 12 etc., *mylk* 1 Cor. iii 2, *quic* Mt. ii 18, but *seifer* 1 Cor. iii 12, *seluer* Jam. v 3, *seppe* Prol. 4. 26, 10. 1, 2 Pet. iii 11, 17 etc. For *sipen*, *seppe*, see also Morsh. § 114. 3, Siev. Gr.² § 107. 5.

III. Consonant influence.

§ 24. *Pal. + æ, a.*

W. S. *ea*, Merc. *e, æ (ea) > a* throughout, Urk. p. 52 f., t. Br. §§ 12, 27: *schal* Mt. iii 2 etc., *zale* Jam. v 9, *zhate* Acts xii 10, 13, 14, 16, *y-schape* (part.) Eph. iv 24, *schuken* (part.) Acts xxvii 18, *zaf* (pt. sg.) Prol. 3. 11 (pt. pl.) Jude 4.

§ 25. *Pal. + o, u.*

Written *o, u*. Cf. Siev. Gr.² §§ 74, 157, Urk. p. 54: *zonge* 1 John ii 14, Acts ii 17, *zonglynges* 1 John ii 13 (once *zenge* Acts xx 9), *zoke* Acts xv 10, *schulde(n)* throughout.

§ 26. *Pal. + e (W. S. ie, Angl. e).*

Cf. Urk. p. 56 ff., t. Br. § 146. Before length. consonants *e* throughout: *zerdes* Acts xvi 22, *zernes* Acts xxiii 26, *zeldep* Rom. xii 8, *zelde(n)* Prol. 14. 34, 2 Thea. i 6, *zeldynge* 1 Pet. iii 9, *scheld* Eph. vi 16; in other cases *i* prevails in the Acts, *e*, occasionally *i*, in the remaining parts:

gife Acts ii 19, 27, iii 6 etc., *forgifnes* Acts ii 38, v 31, *forgife* Acts viii 22, *gift(e)* Acts ii 38, viii 20, *zisterday* Acts vii 28, *if* throughout Acta. Matthew has *sefe*, *zeue* v 15, 26, 31, 34, vi 4, 11, *forzeue* (2 x) vi 12, once

§ 29. i-umlaut of O. E. *ea*, *eo*.

Written *e*, *ee*, value [æ]. Urk. p. 61, t. Br. §§ 23, 39: *heere* (pra. sg.) 1 Cor. xi 18, *leue* 3e 1 John iv 1, *nedfulle* Acts xv 28.

O. E. *ȝet* appears in S¹ with *e* or *i*: *ȝet* 1 John ii 9, iii 2, Rom. vi 1, xii 4, Phil. iii 13, Heb. ii 8, v 8, vii 10, xi 31, Gal. v 11, *ȝit* Rom. vi 2, vii 12, viii 22, 1 Cor. iii 2, 3, Phil. iii 12, Gal. v 11. The Acts have *i*, *ȝitte* viii 16, x 14, xiii 28, 31, xiv 17, xxvi 11, 22, xxvii 22.

E. CONSONANT INFLUENCE.

§ 30. *Vowel + pal. spirant*. Urk. pp. 67—72, t. Br. §§ 40, 41, 48.

1. O. E. *æ + ȝ > ai*, *ay* as a rule: *day(e)* Prol. 3. 7, 2 John 11, Acts i 2, *saide* Acts i 4, 6, 7, *honde-maydens* ib. ii 18, *fayr* Prol. 1. 22, *may* Mt. v 14.

O. E. *secȝan* has in S¹ forms with *ey* and *ay* (see Urk. p. 67). 1 Peter has *ey* throughout, the Prologue has *ey*: *ay* = 44: 2, 2 Peter 2: 1, James 12: 2, Romans 7: 2 etc.

O. E. *onȝeȝn*, *-ȝeȝn* is in the Acts *agayn(es)* v 39, vi 1 etc. (< *gagani, cf. N. E. D., Bj. i 151), in S *aycȝn(s)* Prol. 2. 10, 13, Mt. ii 8 etc.

2. O. E. *e + ȝ > ey* in S, *ai*, *ay* in the Acts: *wey(e)* Mt. ii 9, iii 3, iv 15, 2 Pet. ii 21 etc., *reyn-bowe* Prol. 4. 23, *leyen* (part.) Prol. 16. 33, *y-sey(n)* (part. O. E. *ȝeseȝen*) 1 John iv 12, 14 etc., *waye* Acts xv 40, *raynes* ib. xiv 16, *luide* (pt. sg.) ib. iv 37, *sayle* ib. xxvii 2; ib. xx 10. *lyne* (part.), O. E. *leȝen*, Acts ix 33, x 38 is due to analogy; cf. *lyne* (pra. pl.) Acts xxiii 21, *lyþ* (pra. sg.) Prol. 2. 25.

For O. E. *onȝeȝn* see § 30. 1.

O. E. *-breȝdan* has, however, only forms with *ay* in S¹, probably by analogy with the str. sg. pret. *bræȝd* and with the noun which has double forms with *æ* and *e*: *obbraydeþ* (sg. pra.) Jam. i 5, *obrayded* (part.) 1 Pet. iv 14; cf. *obbrayd* (sb.) Heb. xiii 13, *obbroyd* ib. xi 26, see t. Br. § 140.

3. O. E. *f + ȝ > [f]*, written *y*: *y-wrye* (part.) Prol. 13. 6, *wrye* (inf.) 1 Cor. xi 7, (imp.) xi 6, *lyþ* (pra. sg.) Prol. 2. 29; analogically *weryed* (pt. sg.) Prol. 13. 29, *lye* (opt. sg. < O. E. *licȝan*) ib. 17. 5, *lyne* (pra. pl.) Acts xxiii 21, *y-styed* (part. < O. E. *stȝȝan*) 1 Cor. ii 9.

4. O. E. *y + ȝ > [j]*, written *y*: *fore-byȝenge* Tit. ii 14, *byare* Acts vii 35, analogical forma.

5. O. E. *ea* (later also *e*) + *h*, *ht > ey*, *ei* in S, *e* in the Acts: *eȝte* 1 Pet. iii 20, *eȝsteþe* Phil. iii 5, 2 Pet. ii 5, Prol. 16. 30, *eȝsteþe* Prol. 17. 16, *streyȝte* (imp. pl.) Mt. iii 3, *seyȝ* (pt. sg.) Prol. 3. 9, 18 etc., *sey* (pt. sg.) 1 John iii 6, *eghte* Acts xxv 6, *eghtod* ib. vii 8.

6. O. E. *i* + *ht*: *myȝt*, Prol. 1. 19, 2. 18, *myȝhte* (pt. pl.) Acts xxvii 12, *nyȝhte* ib. xii 6, *dighȝte* (pt. pl.) Acts x 10, *rightwiſenes* ib. x 35, *knyȝhtes* ib. xii 4, 6, 18, *brytneſſe* § 51. Cf. § 20.

7. O. E. *æ* + *ȝ* > *ey* [e]: *cyȝer* Acts vii 26, *neyȝer* Mt. v 34, 35 (but *noȝer* Mt. v 35), *seyen* (pt. pl.) Prol. 3. 13, 11. 27, Heb. xi 23.

8. O. E. *ē* + *ȝ* > *ey* [ei]: *twoeyn(e)* Prol. 13. 15, Acts i 23, *twoey* Acts vii 29.

O. N. *deyja* has mostly *i*-forms: *dye* (inf.) Acts xxv 11, *dighs* (inf.) ib. xxi 13, cf. Rom. vi 9, Heb. vii 8, ix 27 etc., but *deyzen* Rom. viii 13, cf. Bj. i p. 66.

9. O. E. *g* + *ȝ* > [ǣ], written *uy*: *druye* (adj.) Heb. xi 29, *y-druyed* Jam. i 11.

10. O. E. *ēa* (late W. S. Angl. *ē*) + *h*, *ȝ* gives double forms: *S*¹ has *yen* Prol. 3. 7, 12, 2 Pet. ii 14, Heb. iv 13, *ȝȝe(n)* 1 John i 1, ii 11, 16, 1 Cor. xii 16, 17, 21, 1 Pet. iii 12, but *eyȝe* once 1 Cor. ii 9—*hyȝeneſſe* Jam. i 9, Rom. xi 39, 1 Cor. ii 1, Col. ii 4, *hyȝechyp* Heb. xi 21, -e 1 Tim. ii 2, *hyȝ(e)* Rom. xii 16, Heb. i 3, viii 1, *hiȝ* Jam. v 4, *nyȝ* 1 Pet. iv 7, 2 Pet. i 14, Jam. iv 8, Phil. iv 6, Heb. vi 8, viii 13, but *neyȝ(e)bore(e)* Rom. xiii 8, 9 (twice), 10, Heb. viii 11, Eph. iv 25, Jam. iv 12, -*boure* Gal. v 14, *neyȝlachen* Jam. v 8, -*lacheȝ* Heb. vii 19, -*leche(n)* Jam. iv 8, Heb. x 25, xii 18, -*lyche* Rom. xiii 12, *neyȝenge* Heb. vii 25; in *S*² no instances; *S*³ has *eyȝe* Mt. v 29, 38 (twice), *neyȝebore* v 38, but *hyȝ* iv 8, *nyȝ* iv 17; the Acts have *eȝne* ix 8, 40, xxviii 27, *eyghne* i 9, ix 18, xxvi 18, *neghburs* v 16, *neghe* xvii 17, but *highe* i 14, xiii 17.

11. O. E. *ēo*, *īo* (Angl. *ē*) + *ȝ*, *ht* > *y* [i]: *lyer(e)* 1 John ii 4, 22, iv 20, *lyghe* (inf.) Acts v 3, *lye* (inf.) Heb. vi 18, (pra. ag.) 1 Tim. ii 7, (imp. pl.) Col. iii 9, cf. Acts v 4, Mt. v 11, 1 John i 6, *lyȝt* (O. E. *lēoht*) Mt. iv 16, v 14, 15, 16, Rom. xiii 12, *lyȝte* (pra. pl.) Mt. v 15, see further Acts ix 3, xiii 47, xvi 29, xxii 6, 9, 11, xxvi 13, xii 7.

12. W. S. *īe*, *y* (Kent. Angl. *īo*, *ēo*) + *ȝ*, *h* > *y*, *ey*, in the Acts i: *lye* (O. E. *līeȝ*) Heb. i 8, 2 Thea. i 8, *hyȝere* Rom. xiii 1, *hey* (O. E. *hīeȝ*) 1 Cor. iii 12, *hey(ȝ)est(e)* Prol. 2. 6, 16, Heb. vii 1, *heyȝer* Heb. vii 26, *alperhigheſte* Acts vii 48, *higheȝ* Acts v 31.

§ 31. *Short vowel + gutt. spirant.* Urk. p. 72 f., t. Br. §§ 44, 45, 46, 48.

1. O. E. *a* + *ȝ* > *aw*, *au*, value [au], *ow* [ou]: *y-draewen* (part.) 2 Cor. vi 11, 13, *y-slawe(n)* 1 Pet. iii 18, Jam. v 6, Rom. viii 36,

2 Cor. vi 9 etc., *lawe* (O. E. *lazu*) Prol. 13. 21, *felowes* (< Scand. *fēlagi*) Prol. 1. 20, *felawes* Heb. i 9, *feloweschupe* 2 Cor. vi 14, *feloschype* 1 John i 3, 6, *felaweschupe* Phil. ii 1, *-schype* ib. iii 10, *felaweschype* 1 John i 3, *plawfere* Acts xiii 1.

2. O. E. *ea* (æ) + *h*, *ht* > *au*: *faughte* (pt. pl.) Acts xxiii 9, *slaughte* (O. E. *sleakt*) ib. xxii 20, *slauzt* 1 Cor. v 5, *manslawytes* Gal. v 21, *sauz* (pt. sg.) Prol. 8. 17, 29, *lawzweynge* Jam. iv 9; unaccented O. E. *þæh*, *þah* gives *þauz* Rom. vii 3, 1 Cor. vii 31, cf. Bülbring, El. § 454.

3. O. E. *-o-* + *ɜ* > *ow* [ou]: *reyn-bowe* Prol. 4. 23, 25.

4. O. E. *u* + *ɜ* > *ow* [ū] in *mowe(n)* from late O. E. *muze*, *muzen*: *mowe* (sg.) Phil. iii 11, 12, (pl.) Rom. viii 8, Prol. 12. 27, *mown* (pl.) Eph. vi 11, *mowen* (pl.) 2 Tim. iii 15, Prol. 6. 3.

5. O. E. *o* + *h*. The loanword O. N. **þōh* is in *S þouȝ* 1 John iv 10, 1 Cor. xi 5 etc., rarely *þoȝ* 2 Thes. ii 2 (see Bj. i p. 72 ff.); in the Acts *þofe* xvii 27, xxiii 9, xxviii 4. For *þauȝ* see § 31. 2.

6. O. E. *o* and shortened O. E. *ō* + *ht* > *o*, *ou*, in the Acts *o* [o, ou]: *y-boȝt* 1 Cor. vi 20, *y-bouȝt* 2 Pet. ii 1, *doghter(s)* Acts ii 17, xxi 9, *boghte* (part.) ib. i 18, (pt. sg.) vii 16, *roghte* (pt. sg.) ib. xviii 17, *broghte* (part.) ib. xxv 17, *þoȝte* (pt. sg.) Prol. 2. 1, *þouȝt* (sb.) Prol. 2. 4, 7.

§ 32. *Long vowel or diphthong + w or guttural spirant.* Urk. p. 73 ff., t. Br. §§ 33, 43, 44, 46, 49.

1. O. E. *ā* + *w*, *ɜ* > *ow*, *ou* [ou]: *soule* Acts ii 43, iii 23, *soule* Acts iv 32, Rom. xiii 1, 1 John iii 16 etc., *knowe* (prs. pl.) Rom. vi 3, *owne* (adj.) Prol. 1. 1.

O. E. (n)*āwīht*, (n)*āht*, (n)*ōwīht*, (n)*ōht* appear in S¹ as *noȝt* 1 Pet. i 4 etc., occasionally *not* Prol. 1. 15 etc., *ouȝt* 1 Cor. iii 7; S² and S³ have *not* as a rule but *noȝt* Mt. ii 18, 2 John 7, 8, 11, 3 John 4, *nouȝt* Mt. v 39; the Acts have *noghte* i 4, xviii 15, xxvi 19 etc., *oghte* xxiv 19 etc.

2. O. E. *ō* + *ɜ* > *ow*, *ou* [ū, ou, see t. Br. §§ 33, 46]: *ynowghe* Acts xx 11, *drowe* (pt. sg.) Acts viii 3, 13, *slouȝ* (pt. sg.) 1 John iii 11, 12, *slow* Mt. ii 16, *lowghne* (pt. pl.) Acts ii 13, *slowen* (pt. pl.) Prol. 12. 5.

3. O. E. *-ēa-* + *w* > *ew* [ēu]: *schewen* (inf.) 1 Tim. vi 15, *schewe* (imp. sg.) Jam. ii 18, *fewe* Heb. xii 10.

4. O. E. *ēo* + *w* > *ew*; *ow* rarely in S, more frequently in the Acts [ēu, ou]: *trewe* 1 John i 9, ii 8 etc., Acts xvi 1, 2 etc., *treweȝe* 1 John i 6, ii 4, 21, iii 19, 18 etc., *knew* (pt. sg.) Prol. 2. 9, *knewe*

(pt. sg.) Acts i 24, but *troue* (inf.) Acts xv 7, (imp. sg.) xvi 31 etc., *troued* (pl. pt.) xv 5, *troupe* xv 2, *entrouthfulle* xxvi 19.

O. E. *ēow* is *you(e)* throughout, cf. Urk. p. 74, t. Br. § 49 p. 39.

O. E. *floucer* etc. gives *foure* Prol. 15. 2, 14. 12, Acts v 36, vii 6, x 11, *fourtenpe* Prol. 17. 31, *four(e)ty* Acts i 3, iv 22.

5. O. E. *ā + ht > au*, *aw* [*au*] (Urk. p. 75, t. Br. §§ 44, 45 anm.): *tauzle* 1 Tim. i 3, *awghte* Acts xxvi 9, *taughte* (pt. pl.) ib. v 21, (part.) xiv 20.

6. O. E. *ū + j > ow* [*ū*] in *boice* 1 Pet. iii 11.

§ 33. *w-influenca*. Urk. p. 63 ff.

1. O. E. *w + i* remains as a rule: *wille* (sb.) Rom. vii 18, Mt. vi 10, *wynidel* Mt. iii 12, *wyle* (imp. pl.) Jam. i 19, 2 John 9, *wyke(s)* Prol. 17. 20, 25, *wydeu(e)s* Jam. i 27, *wydw(e)s* Acts vi 1, ix 39, 41, xvi 1, for *wedeu(e)s* 1 Tim. v 4, *wetep* Prol. 11. 18, see § 5.

O. E. *willan* has forms with *o*, *e* and *i*. S¹ has *o* as a rule, *wole* Prol. 2. 4, 5, 2 Pet. i 15, Heb. viii 8 etc., *wolt* Prol. 12. 20, 26, *wol(l)ep* Jam. iv 13, 15, 2 Tim. iii 12, iv 3 etc., but once *wetep* 1 Tim. i 9, and twice *wylt* Prol. 7. 32, 9. 32; S² has *y* *wole* Jude 5, *wyle* (imp. pl.) 2 John 10; S³ has imper. pl. *wete* v 17, vi 7, 8, *wyle* iii 9, (3 sg. pra.) v 40, 42. The Acts have 2 sg. pra. *wilte* vii 28 etc., *o* throughout in the other present-forms.

With negation: *nul* Prol. 12. 16, 2 Pet. iii 9, Heb. viii 12, x 17 etc., *nole* Rom. vii 20, *nele* pou Mt. vi 2.

O. E. *swile* (*swyle*) is *suche* with twice occurring *syche* Prol. 15. 13, Heb. xiii 16.

O. E. *wifnan* appears as *womman* Prol. 1. 15, 17. 19, Rom. vii 2, Acts ix 36 etc., *wymman* Prol. 17. 2; plur. *wymmen* Acts i 14, xiii 50, 1 Pet. iii 1 (Morsb. § 112. 3).

2. O. E. *w + y* and *w + eo*: *world* 1 Pet. iv 11 etc., *worschippe* Acts vii 43, viii 27, xviii 13, *-schupe* 1 Tim. vi 1 etc., twice *worschupe* Mt. ii 2, 8, (*y-*)*worpe* (O. E. *weorþan*) Acts v 38, Prol. 6. 1, cf. Acts v 36; *worþi* (O. E. *weorþiþ*) Rom. viii 18, 1 Tim. i 15 etc.; twice *workus*, *-es* (< O. E. *ȝe-weorc*) 1 Cor. xii 21, Gal. v 19, else *werke* regularly in S, *warke* in the Acts, see § 34; *worse* 2 Pet. ii 20, 1 Tim. v 8 etc. O. E. *wyrcean* has *o*-forms as a rule: Eph. iv 19, Rom. viii 28, Phil. ii 12, 1 Thes. iv 11 etc., but in S¹ *werchynge(s)* 1 Cor. xii 6, 10, *wercheþ* (sg. pra.) 2 Thes. ii 7, *werche* (inf.) Prol. 17. 25; the Acts have *I wirche* xiii 41.

O. E. *swelȝan* appears with *o* in *swolewȝn(e)* 1 Pet. iii 22. Cf. Pogatscher, *Engl. Stud.* 27 (p. 269 ff.).

O. E. *swecostor* is *suster* throughout S. Prol. 10. 9, 14. 18, 15. 18, 18. 4, 47. 1, 20, 25, 48. 16, Jam. ii 15, 2 John 13, 1 Cor. vii 15, *sustren* 1 Tim. v 2. The Acts have *sister* (O. N. *systrir*) xiii 16.

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§ 34. *r-influencia*.

(Urk. p. 67, t. Br. § 48) M. E. *e* > *a* before *r* + cons. principally in the Acts: *warks* (O. E. *ȝe-weorc*) vi 3, vii 41, xiii 2, 41, xiv 25, xv 18, 38, *-men* xix 24, 38, *sparred* (part.) v 23, *sparde* (part.) xii 14, (pt. sg.) xxvi 10, *spurred* (pt. sg.) xxii 19 (O. E. *ȝe-spearrīan*, O. N. *sperra*), *markenes* ii 20 (cf. Bj. i p. 146), *harde* (pt. pl.) iv 24, v 5, 11, 33, vi 11, 14 etc., (part.) i 4, ii 8, 11, iv 20, v 5, beside less frequent *herde(n)* (pt. pl.) ii 37, iv 4, v 24 etc.; *harbarowed(e)* x 18, 23, 32, xxi 16, *warne* (O. E. *wiernan*) xi 17; possibly *gart(t)e* (pt. sg.) xvi 15, xxvi 11, (part.) xxviii 19 (O. N. *gǫrva*, *gerva*); for *taries* xxii 16, *tariet* xx 16, *tarye* (pra. sg.) xxiv 4, similarly 1 Tim. iii 15, 2 Pet. iii 9, see t. Br. § 48. 5.

In S' fewer instances occur: *dark* 2 Pet. i 19, Eph. iv 18, *darknesse* 1 Pet. ii 9, 1 John ii 9, 11, Eph. iv 18, v 11, vi 12, Col. i 13, 1 Thea. v 5, beside more frequent *derke*, *derknesse* Prol. 6. 29, 1 John i 5, 6, ii 8, 11 etc.; usually in Fr. loanwords; *parfyt(e)* Prol. 2. 22, Jam. i 25, 1 John iv 12 etc., *parceyfeþ* 1 Cor. ii 14, *parforme* Prol. 4. 35, Rom. vii 18, *paraunter* Prol. 5. 4.

§ 35. *Influence of l* Urk. p. 66.

i > *u* in *children* 1 Thea. ii 7, *tul* Mt. i 25.

F. VOWELS IN UNSTRESSED SYLLABLES.

Urk. pp. 77—85, t. Br. §§ 51—56.

§ 36. The following suffixes are noteworthy:

O. E. *-dōm*. Weakening to *-dam(e)* once in S: *praldam* 1 Cor. vii 15, in the Acts *a* is frequent: *kenulames* viii 1, *kengedam(e)(s)* viii 25, xiv 21, xxviii 31, xx 25.

O. E. *-hād*. The form *-hod(e)* occurs occasionally in S': the prevailing form is *-hed(e)*, see § 9.

O. E. *lāc* appears shortened in *wedlak* Heb. xiii 4.

O. E. *-lic*, *-lice* is *-lyche* throughout S', *-ly* in S² S³ and the Acts, the only exceptions being *onlyche* Mt. iv 4, *gretelyche* Acts ix 19.

O. E. *-ære* forming nomina agentis, as well as M. E. *-er* < O. Fr. *-ier* < L. L. *-erius* are levelled under *-ar* in the Acts, whereas the M. E. ending of the comparative appears as *-er* and *-ar*: *eldars* xv 4, 41, *elders* ii 17, *schewar* xvii 18, *worschippar* xix 35, *kepar(s)* xvi 23, xii 19, v 23, *ledar*, *spekar* xiv 11, *clippar* viii 32, *motar* xxiv 1,

blasphemares xix 37, *pursewars* vii 52, *accusars* xxiii 30, *manslears* iii 14. S. has *-er(e)* throughout: *man-sleer* 1 Pet. iv 15, *makers* 1 Pet. iv 19, *fyscherys* Mat. iv 19.

O. E. *-scip*, *-scyp* has in S the forms *-schupe*, *-schyp(e)*, *-schep*: *wurschupe* (inf.) Mt. ii 8, *worschupeden* Prol. 2. 24, *lordschupe* 2 Pet. ii 10, *worschyppynge* Mt. ii 11, *nakedschep* Rom. viii 35. The Acts have *-ship(pe)*: *worschippe* (inf.) vii 43, viii 27, xviii 13, *worschippful* Acts v 34.

Noteworthy are further *housebande* Acts v 9, *husbande* ib. v 10, *opunsched* ib. ii 20 (*opun scheued* MS. S), *neyzlachen* Jam. v 8, *-lachep* Heb. vii 19, *-lyche* Rom. xiii 11, beside *-leche(n)* Jam. iv 8, Heb. x 25 (O. E. *-lācan*).

§ 37. Prefixes.

O. E. *on-*. *oknowe* Acts ix 14, 21, *obrode* ib. v 36, 37, viii 4, *otwynne* ib. xv 39, *aboute* ib. v 42, *a-knowe* 2 John 7, *a-mydde* Prol. 1. 10, *a-mong* Prol. 1. 18, *agayne* Acts xxi 28, *a-bofe* Prol. 8. 3.

O. E. *ȝe-* remains as a rule in S': *y-chose* 1 Pet. ii 6, *y-deped* ib. ii 21, in S² S³ no instances; in the Acts *ynowghe* xx 11.

O. E. *be-*. *byleueþ* 1 Pet. ii 6, *byggynne* ib. iv 17, *biganne* Acts ii 4 etc., but *begynne* (inf.) Acts iii 3.

O. E. *of-*. *a-down* Prol. 2. 10, 5. 30, *a-pouȝt* Prol. 4. 14, *a-pinken* (inf.) Heb. vii 22, *an-hungred* Rom. xii 20, cf. N. E. D.

O. E. *fore-*. *fore-goere* 2 Pet. ii 5.

O. E. *in-*. *inmyddes* Acts i 15, *ymyddes* ib. iv 7, xxii 6, xxvii 21, *in myddes of* ib. xvii 22, *incalled* ib. xv 17.

§ 38. Unaccented words.

(a) *Prepositions* are as a rule unchanged, but occasionally weakened forms occur: *forte* Jam. v 7, *inte* Jude 21, *anone* Acts ix 20, 35, *a-myddle* Prol. 1. 10, *an hyȝ* 1 Pet. v 6, Heb. i 3, *a-morewe* Jam. iv 13, *a tuo partyes* Prol. 15. 22, *olonge* Acts xx 7, beside *ounon(e)* Acts xxii 29, xxiii 7, xii 10, *on lyus* ib. ix 41.

(b) *Pronouns*. S' has *ych* 1 Pet. i 16 etc. beside the unstressed form *y* 1 John ii 12, 13, 14 etc.; *me* < O. E. *man*, see § 67.

(c) *Adverbs and conjunctions*. O. E. *eal-sicā* 'as' is as throughout S, Heb. iv 3, v 6 etc. The Acts have occasionally *als* i 1 etc., see § 47; *an* 'and' Rom. xiii 10.

II. CONSONANTS.

The consonantal system of the texts here printed agrees in the main with that of Chaucer, and in the following account, owing to limited space, only the deviations from Chaucer will be given.

§ 39. Unorganic *p* appears between *m* and *s* in *Sampson* Heb. xi 32.

§ 40. O. E. *b* (t. Br. § 100, Urk. p. 103). Medial *-bb-* is retained in *S'* in forms of *habban*, for examples see § 77.

§ 41. O. E. *f* (t. Br. §§ 101—2, Urk. p. 103 f.).

Inter-vocalic O. E. *f*, *lf*, *rf* are often orthographically retained, especially in *S'*.

lyfe 1 Pet. i 3, *lofeþ*, *haseþ*, *bylefeþ* ib. i 8, *sylfer* 2 Tim. ii 20, *seifer* 1 Cor. iii 12, *þow-seife* 2 John 8, *hase* (2 sg. pra.) Mt. v 26; *f* is vocalised in *deuole* (O. E. *dēofol*) Acts x 38; *f* stands for *v* initially in the French loanword *fouche saaf* Prol. 5. 5, 2 Thea. i 11.

§ 42. O. E. *w* (t. Br. § 103, Urk. p. 104 f.).

For *suche*, *syche* see § 33; on O. E. aphæresis of *w* depends *nul* etc., see § 33. O. E. *cw-* is in the Acts written *qw*: *queene* viii 27, *qwikke* x 42.

§ 43. O. E. *t* (t. Br. § 105 a, δ, ε, Urk. p. 105) is assimilated to *s* in *Wysoneday* (S. P.) Acts ii 1.

þ occurs for *t* in the French loanword *comforþe* Acts iv 36, xv 31, *comforþed* ix 19, xv 32, xvi 40, xxvii 9.

§ 44. O. E. *d* (t. Br. §§ 106 a, 105 γ, Urk. p. 105 f.).

Double forms with *t* and *d* occur in the syncopated weak preterites and participles in O. E. *-nde*, *-lde*, *-rde* (t. Br. § 105 γ): *sende* (pt. sg.) Acts iii 26, vii 12, 14, (pt. pl.) v 21, vi 11, viii 14, *sente* (pt. sg.) ib. x 20, 33, (pt. pl.) ix 30, *sentte* (pt. pl.) ib. xv 27, *wente* (pt. sg.) vii 4, viii 1, x 9, (part.) xi 2, *y-buld* 1 Pet. ii 5, Heb. iii 4, Col. ii 6, *y-buyld* 1 Cor. iii 14.

O. E. *d* is lost in *an* 'and' Rom. xiii 10, *schenschype* 1 Cor. xi 14, 2 Tim. ii 15.

Unorganic *d* in *Symonde* Acts ix 43, x 6, 32 (twice). The *þ* in *hundreþe* (O. E. *hundred*) the regular form in the Acts (i 15, v 36, xiii 20, *hundreth(e)* xxiii 23, xxvii 37) is due to Scand. influence, see Bj. i 163.

§ 45. O. E. *þ* still remains in *kouþe* (prt.) Acts xiii 8, *couþe* xxvii 43; *d* for final *-þ* in *dead* (O. E. *deap*) Acts xxii 4, *eghtod* (O. E. *eaktoda*) Acts vii 8; *fourtende* ib. xxvii 33 is due to Scand. influence, see N. E. D., but cf. O. E. *siofunda* etc.

þ assimilated to final *-t* in *þat at* Acts x 15, xi 9.

Unorganic *þ* introduced in *alþer last* Heb. i 2, *alþerhigheste* Acts vii 47.

§ 47. O. E. *l* is lost in *wordlyche* Prol. 5. 31, 1 Cor. vi 4 (twice). Tit. ii 12. O. E. *eal-swa* 'as' in unaccented position has retained its *l* frequently in the Acts: *als* i 1, *als many* iv 34, *alofaste* v 10, *alsons* ix 18, xvii 15.

§ 48. Unorganic *n* introduced in *chefenteyn* Prol. 9. 24, *messyn-geres* Jam. ii 25, *tenþinge(s)* Heb. vii 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, *y-tenþed* ib. vii 9. Initial *n* lost in *edder* Prol. 2. 35, 3. 22, Jam. iii 7, the Acts and Matth. have regularly *nedder(s)* Acts x 12, xxviii 3, *nedderis* Mt. iii 7. Apocope of *n* in *me < men*: Rom. viii 36, 1 Cor. vi 15, vii 36, 1 Thea. v 3, Heb. x 2, xii 18; further in *o* Acts iv 32 for *on*, and in *a* for the weakened *an*; O. E. *on* bef. cons. in composition is in the Acts frequently *o*: *oknowe* ix 14, 21, *olonge* xx 7, *otwynne* xv 39, *o-brode* v 37, viii 4, xxvi 1 but *on lyue* ix 41; before vowels the *n* remains, *onone* xii 10, xiii 11, xvi 10, 33, xix 34, xxi 30, 32 etc. Elsewhere the weakened forms *an*, *a*: *a-knowe* 2 John 7, *abedde* Rom. xiii 13, *a-prust* Rom. xii 20, *an hyz* Heb. i 3, *an-hungred* Rom. xii 20.

§ 49. O. E. pal. *ȝ* (t. Br. §§ 120, 123, Urk. p. 97 ff.) is written *ȝ* as a rule throughout the texts, but with *ȝh* in the Acts in the following words: *ȝhe* (pron.), *ȝhe* 'yes,' *ȝhere*, *ȝhate(s)*. The deviations from Chaucer are slight: in the Acts *ȝife*, *ȝifte* etc. correspond to Ch. *ȝiven*, *ȝeven*, *ȝift*; in S *forȝeten* to Ch. *forȝeten*, *forȝeten*.

The following are the chief instances of *ȝ* = Germ. *g*: *ȝeȝn(s)* Prol. 2. 10, 13, Mt. ii 8 etc. throughout S, *ȝyftys* Mt. ii 11, *ȝifte* Mt. v 23, 24, *ȝous* Mt. iv 9, vi 4, Rom. vi 13 etc., *ȝof* (prt. a.) Prol. 1. 3, 14, 15, 15, *ȝaf* (pl.) Jude 4, *ȝ-ȝeuen* 1 John iii 1, 23, 24, iv 13, v 20 etc., *forȝeue(n)* Mt. vi 12 (twice), 1 John i 9, ii 12, Jam. v 15, *forȝeuenge* Col. ii 13, *forȝefȝinge* Eph. iv 32, *forȝeuenesse* Prol. 2. 20, 28, 48, 8, 9, *forȝeten* (inf.) Heb. vi 10, (p. p.) Jam. i 24, Heb. xii 5, *forȝete* (1 sg.) Phil. iii 13, (imp.) Heb. xiii 2, 16,

forȳetep (3 sg.) 2 Pet. i 9, *forȳetful* Jam. i 25, *ȳelde* (inf.) Mt. vi 8, *ȳisterday* Acts vii 28, *ȳote* (inf.) Acts ii 18, Jude 11, *ȳate* Jam. v 9, Heb. xiii 12, Acts x 17, *ȳate* Acts xii 10, 13, 14, 16; analogically *forȳouen* (p. p.) Eph. iv 32, *ȳ-ȳelde* 3 John 12, *ȳote* (p. p.) Jude 11, *ȳotted* (p. p.) Acts ii 33, x 45, *ȳates* Acts xxi 30, v 19, 23.

Forms with *g*: *bygganne*, *byggynnyng(e)* etc. throughout; further *getere* 1 Cor. i 20, *gate* (prt. a.) 38 times in Mt. i 1—16, *geten* (prt. pl.) Heb. xi 33, *byggeten* (p. p.) 1 Pet. i 3, Jam. i 18, 1 John iv 9, v 1, Heb. xi 17, i 6, *byggetyng(e)* (sb.) 1 John v 18, *getyng(e)* (pra. p.) 2 Thea. ii 13, *gete* (inf.) Acts xxvii 17, *goten* (p. p.) Acts xiii 33, xxii 28, *algates* 1 Cor. vi 7, Rom. xiii 5.

In the Acts always *gife* (inf.) ii 19, 27, (pra. sg.) iii 6 etc., *gafe* (pt. sg.) vi 14, vii 5 etc., *gifen* iii 14, i: 12 etc., *forgife* (inf.) viii 22, *forgifnes* ii 38, v 31, *gifte* ii 38, viii 20. For *geldyng(e)* viii 27, 34, see Bj. I 150 nota.

ȳ = Gmc. *j*: *ȳhe* (pron.) Acts i 8 etc., *ȳe* 1 Pet. i 6 etc., *ȳhe* 'yes' Acts v 8, *ȳitte* ib. viii 16, *ȳonge* ib. v 6, *ȳef* 1 Pet. iii 14 etc. See § 26.

O. E. pal. *ȳ* (t. Br. § 114, Urk. p. 100) is fairly frequent in S', written *gg*: *lygge* (inf.) Prol. 14. 12, *legge* (inf.) Prol. 13. 20, *æggeþ* (pra. pl.) 1 Thea. iv 14, *myssæggere* 1 Cor. v 11, *sugge* (pra. sg.) 1 Cor. i 12, 15, *suggen* (pl.) 1 Cor. i 10, *suggyng(e)* Heb. viii 13, x 8, *forbugge* (pra. pl.) Eph. v 16, *buggeþ* (pra. pl.) 1 Cor. vii 30, *for-buggyng(e)* Rom. viii 23, 1 Cor. i 30, Heb. ix 15, Col. i 13, iv 5.

On O. E. *strenȳ* beside *strenȳþ* (Siev. Gr.³ § 215) depends the regular form in the Acts, *strenȳþe* v 26, vi 8, xxi 35 etc. (cf. t. Br. § 114. 1, Urk. p. 100). In S *strenȳþe* Prol. 8. 35, 2 Pet. ii 11, Rom. viii 38.

§ 50. O. E. *c* (t. Br. §§ 112 a, 113 a, 118 a, 119 a, Urk. p. 91 ff.).

O. E. *secan* is *seche(n)* etc. throughout, except in *sekeþ* Mt. ii 13, *sekunde* Acts xiii 11.

Regularly *penke(n)*, *þynke(n)* etc. Mt. i 20, Acts v 35, xvii 29, xx 35, xxv 27, but once *by-þenche* 1 Tim. iv 15.

The geminate in *slekked* Mt. iii 12 is probably due to Scand. influence, see Bj. I. p. 147.

Noteworthy is *schidesteres* Tit. ii 3 for *chidesteres*, derivative from O. E. *cīdan*.

O. E. *ȳelic* adj. is *lyche* Prol. 13. 6, *ȳlyche* 1 Pet. i 14, 15 etc., but in the Acts *lyke* xiv 14, xvii 29, also *mykēl* iv 16, *meke* xxiv 2, beside the regular *much(e)*, *myche*, see § 8 c.

O. E. *ascian* occurs in three forms; the Acts have *usche*, *asched* etc. throughout: i 6, iii 10, 14, v 27, xii 19, xxi 33, xxv 3, 15, *asching(e)* (sb.) xv 7; S' has *axen* etc. Prol. 3. 1, 1 Pet. iii 15, Jam. i 5, 6, 1 John iii 22, v 14, 15, *axyng(e)* (sb.) Phil. iv 6; Matthew has *aske* vi 8.

O. E. *asce*, *axe* 'ashes' appears as *aschen* Heb. ix 13, *axen* 2 Pet. ii 6.

§ 51. O. E. χ (t. Br. §§ 121, 122, Urk. p. 101 f.) written \mathfrak{z} , in the Acts gh is still orthographically represented with two exceptions, *brytnesse* 2 Thea. ii 8, Heb. i 3, O. E. $\chi > f$ in *þofe* Acts xvii 27, xxiii 9, xxviii 4.

§ 52. Unorganic *h* in *heres* 2 Tim. iv 3, *norþe-keste* Acts xxvii 14, *habounde* Mt. v 20, *hurnynge* Prol. 16. 30, *hurnep* 1 Pet. iv 4.

§ 53. *Metathesis*. Beside the ordinary M. E. *axe*, *wrouȝte* etc. the following cases may be noted: *turst* 'trust' Heb. ii 13, *zurstay* (cf. § 34, late W. S. *ȝyrstanulæȝ*) Heb. xiii 8, *a-þrust* (O. E. *þurst*) Rom. xii 20, *hurnynge* Prol. 16. 30, *hurnep* 1 Pet. iv 4, *axen* 'ashes' 2 Pet. ii 6.

§ 54. *Loss of consonants and subsequent contraction*: *ner-þe-latere* 1 Cor. xii 15, *zurstay* Heb. xiii 8, *þen* (< *þepen*) Acts xxvii 28, Mt. iv 21, *bus* Acts ix 7, *whyrlwynd* Heb. xii 19.

III. FLEXION.

A. Nouns.

§ 55. *Genitive*. The case-ending is occasionally lacking in relationship-words and proper names: *his fadur wyf* 1 Cor. v 1, *his fader lendes* Heb. vii 10, *his...fader house* Acts vii 20, *Pharoos douȝter sone* Heb. xi 24, *þi suster douȝter* 2 John 13, *his moder wombe* Acts iii 2;—*by David moweþe* Acts i 16, in *Symonde house* ib. x 32, but usually *Symondes house* ib. x 17, see Acts iii 11, v 12, vii 10, x 6, xii 12.

The ending is further absent in: *no man sone* 1 Tim. v 22, *wiþ þo awngel honde* Acts vii 35, *a...wydowe sone* ib. xvi 1. Full ending in *Wilsonenday* Acts ii 1.

§ 56. *Plural*. The plural-ending has been assimilated to the final cons. of the stem in *witnes* 'testes' Acts ii 32, v 32, vi 13, vii 57, xiii 31, but regularly *wytnesses* Acts i 8, x 41, 1 Thea. ii 10, Heb. x 28 etc.

Several weak nouns retain the O. E. plural in *-n*: *oxen* Prol. 15. 24, *aschen* Heb. ix 13, *axen* 2 Pet. ii 6, *ȝȝen* 1 Pet. iii 12, 1 John i 1, *eyne* Acts ix 8, *eyghne* Acts ix 18, xxvi 18, *eldren* 1 Pet. v 5, Col. iii 20, 1 Tim. v 4 (but in the Acts *elders* xv 22 etc.).

The *n*-plural has been adopted in *schone* Acts vii 33, xii 8, *breperen*, *children*, *honden* throughout S (but *hondes* Heb. x 31, *hondys* Mt. iv 6), *douȝt(e)ren* 2 Cor. vi 18, 1 Pet. iii 6, *sustren* 1 Tim. v i, *tren* Prol. 3. 3, 4. The Acts have *breper* iii 17, vi 3 etc., once

breþeren vii 37; *childer* vii 19, 37 etc.; *hende* ii 23, vi 6, viii 17 etc., the prevailing form, but *hondes* v 12, 18, ix 17, xiii 3, xxviii 8. The O. E. plural is retained in *azynges* Phil. iv 6, *fourre doghter* Acts xxi 9, to *zoure fadirs* 'patribus nostris' ib. vii 44, *get* Prol. 15. 25, but *gotes* Heb. ix 19. Double plural occurs in *breches* Prol. 3. 13.

§ 57. Strong neuters without plural-ending: *swyn* Prol. 15. 23, *schep* 15. 24, *hors* 15. 26, *water* 16. 10, *sxyty scynter* 1 Tim. v 9 (cf. Siev. Gr.² § 273. 3), *jer* 15. 5, *many þhere* Acts xxiv 10, 17, see further 2 Pet. iii 8, Heb. iii 17, Acts iv 22, vii 6, 23, but *þeres* 2 Pet. iii 8, Heb. i 12 etc., *al(le) þynges* Prol. 9. 28, 10. 23, 13. 22.

B. ADJECTIVES

§ 58. The O. E. ending of the gen. plural remains in *alþer last* Heb. i 2, *alþerhigheste* Acts vii 47.

§ 59. Comparatives and superlatives with *i*-mutation: *strengere* 1 Cor. i 25, *strongest* Heb. vi 18, *no lenger(e)* 1 Thea. iii 1, 5, Acts xxiv 4, xxv 24, xxviii 4, *lenger tyme* Acts xviii 20, *eldere men* 1 Pet. v 1, *elder days* Acts xv 7, *elder breþer* Acts xv 23, *þe eldere sb.* 2 John 1, 3 John 1, *þo eldars, elders sb.* Acts xv 4, xxiv 1, xxv 15, *eldren sb.*, see § 56, *þo eldeste sb.* Acts xi 30, but once *aldere* 1 Tim. v 1.

Double comparative: *more betere* 1 Cor. vii 40.

§ 60. The shortening of a long vowel in the comparative and superlative is occasionally orthographically represented: *gretter(e)* Prol. 6. 27, 48. 18, 1 John iv 4, v 9, Heb. x 29, *grett(o)ur* Heb. vi 13, 16, *deppetest(e)* Prol. 2. 11, 17, *grettest* 1 Cor. xiii 13.

C. NUMERALS

§ 61. The O. E. difference in gender between *twōȝen* and *twō* is not kept up: *tuoo zere* Acts xix 10, similarly xxviii 30, Mt. ii 16, *centurions* Acts xxiii 23, *wykes* Prol. 17. 20, *wyttnesses* 1 Tim. v 19, cf. Prol. 11. 36, 15. 22, Heb. x 28, Acts iv 22, xxiii 23, xxvii 37; *tuwey stones* Prol. 13. 6, *tables* 13. 21, 9. 15, *sons* Acts vii 29; *tuweyn(e) hornes* Prol. 13. 15, *immedel þingēs* Heb. vi 18; used independently *tuweyn* 1 Cor. vi 16, Eph. v 31, Acts ix 38, x 7, *tuoo* Acts i 24.

§ 62. Ordinals: *þridde* 1 Cor. xii 28, *sexte* (!) Acts xix 9, *sefeþe* Prol. 15. 5, 17. 29, 18. 1, Heb. iv 4, 5, *seueþe* Jude 14, *eyzteþe*

Prol. 16. 30, 17. 12, 2 Pet. ii 5, Phil. iii 5, *eysſpe* Prol. 17. 16, *eghtod* Acts vii 8, *nynte* Acts x 3, *fourtende* Acts xxvii 33, *fourtenſe* Prol. 17. 31.

The cardinal is used for the ordinal in Acts xxvii 27 *po fourtene nyghte* (S. P. D. have *fourtenſe*, cf. ib. verse 33 *po fourtende days*). For examples of similar usage see *Anglia* xxiv 219 (1901).

D. PRONOUNS

§ 63. *Personal*. O. E. *ic*. The Acts, Matthew, 3 John, Jude have *y*, *I* exclusively, elsewhere *ych* and *y* alternate, the proportions being: 2 John *ych* once, *y* 6 times, 1 Peter 2: 3, 2 Peter 5: 1, James 1: 0, 1 John 2: 8, Romans 12: 20, 1 Cor. 35: 53 etc.

O. E. *hēo* is in the Acts and S² represented by *ache*: Acts v 8, 10 etc., Mt. i 18, 21, 23, 25 etc.; no instances in S¹; S¹ has *heo* Prol. 3. 10, 22, 17. 7, Rom. vii 2, 1 Cor. vii 34, 36, 39, 40, Heb. ii 3 etc., *he* Prol. 17. 4, Rom. vii 3, 1 Cor. vii 36 etc.

O. E. *hiere* g. d. sing. fem., also used as possessive, is in the Acts and S² *hire*, in S¹ *here* (poss.) 2 John 1, in S¹ regularly *hure*: Acts v 8, 9, 10 etc., Mt. i 19, 20, v 28, 31, 32, Prol. 17. 6, Rom. vii 2, 3, Jam. iii 9 etc., rarely *here* (poss.) Rom. vii 2, *hire* once 1 Pet. iii 1.

The 3 person n., d., a., pl. are regularly *pei*, *hem*, once *pai* Acts xxviii 27.

§ 64. *Possessive*. The plural of the 3 person is in the Acts regularly *þer* i 13, 19, ii 41, 44, 45 etc., rarely *her* i 9, *here* xxi 6, once resp. *þuire* vii 34, *þeire* xvi 19, note 11; in Matthew *her(e)* 9 x, *þer* 5 x, *hire* once vi 7; in 2—3 John no instances; Jude *here* 6 x, *þer* twice; in S¹ regularly *hure* Eph. v 28, vi 9, Phil. iii 19, Col. ii 22, 1 Thes. ii 16 etc., rarely *her(e)* Prol. 47. 12, 2 Pet. ii 2, 3, Eph. vi 4, *hire* Eph. v 24, 1 Pet. iii 1.

O. E. *mīn*, *ðīn*. Final -n occasionally remains before other consonants than *h*: *þyn skelys* Prol. 8. 5, *myn testament* Heb. viii 9, *þyne workus* 1 Cor. xii 21. Noteworthy are *ouren* 1 John ii 2, *þouren* 1 Cor. iii 21, 22.

§ 65. *Demonstrative*. In the Acts the def. article is regularly *þe* i 2, 3 etc., occasionally *þe* i 1, 12 etc., in S regularly *þa*.

O. E. *þes*, *þeos*, *þis* appear in the sing. as *þis* throughout, rarely *þes* 1 John v 6, Heb. iii 3, vii 1, x 12; as plurals appear in the Acts *þise* i 5, 9, 14 etc. throughout, in Matthew *þes(e)* 6 x, *þise* 2 x, in 2 John no instance, 3 John *þese* once, *þise* once, Jude *þese* 4 x, *þise*

once; in *Sⁱ þess* Prol. 16. 13, 1 John v 13 etc. throughout, once *þess* Prol. 11. 3.

Characteristic of the Acts is the emphatic sing. nom. *he þis* i 18, iii 3, iv 9, 10, 11, vi 14, viii 10, ix 21, x 3, 36, *he þat* viii 13, acc. *hym þis* ii 32, iii 12, 16, xiii 22 etc. Noteworthy is *alle þat tveo þere* 'biennio toto' Acts xxviii 30.

§ 66. *Relative and interrogative.* For *whiche* *whuche* see § 8, 1 b, 2 b, *suche* § 33. Note *at in þat at* Acts x 15, xi 9, see § 45.

§ 67. *Indefinite.* *me* < O. E. *man* occurs sparsely: Rom. viii 36, 1 Cor. vi 15, vii 36, 1 Thes. v 3, Heb. x 2, xii 18.

§ 68. O. E. *self*. As adjective: *þe selfe wyse* Prol. 14. 22, *þe selfe sacrifices* Heb. x 1; preceded by a personal pronoun: *meseluen* Acts iii 22, *hymselfen* ib. i 3, 18, ii 34, viii 34, x 17, xii 11, but joined to a poss. pronoun: *þi-seluen* Acts v 4; Matthew has *þy-self* iv 6, *þoure-self* iii 8; the Prologue and Epistles have both combinations: *hymself(e)* Prol. 2. 34, 4. 27, *-selfen* 1 Cor. xii 18, Eph. v 28, *ous-self* Rom. viii 23, *-seluen* 2 Cor. vi 4, *þow-self(e)* 2 John 8, Rom. vi 11, xii 16, 1 Cor. xi 13, 1 Thea. ii 1, v 2, *-selfen* Rom. vi 13, 1 Cor. v 13, Eph. v 19, *hemself* Prol. 3. 12, *-selfen* 2 Pet. ii 1, Eph. iv 19, and *myselfe* 1 Cor. vii 7, *-selfen* ib. xi 34, *þi-selfe* Rom. xiii 9, Gal. v 14, *-selfen* Tit. ii 7, *oure-selfe* Prol. 6. 17, *þoure-selfen* Jude 20, 21.

E. VERBS.

1. Gradation (t. Br. §§ 128—160, Urk. pp. 132 f., 137 ff.).

§ 69. Class I. The O. E. gradation remains as a rule: pt. sg. *slod* 2 Pet. i 17, *roos* Mt. ii 21, *aros* Rom. vi 4, 9, *abode* 1 Thes. iii 5, *wrote* Prol. 9. 14 etc., pt. pl. *abyden* 1 Pet. iii 20, *dryfsen* Heb. xi 34, *risen* Acts vi 9, *striuen* (< O. Fr. *estriver*) ib. xi 2, *wyten* ib. xix 25, part. *y-slyde* Heb. vi 6, *y-rysen* Jam. i 11, *risen* Acts x 40, 41, *aresen* Col. iii 1, *y-dryfsen* 2 Pet. ii 17, *y-wryten* 1 Cor. i 19, 20, *smysten* Acts xxiii 3. The Acts have, however, carried the vowel of the sg. pt. into the plural in *smote* xviii 17, xxii 23, *ros(e)* v 6, xviii 12, xxvi 30 etc., *wote(n)* vii 40, x 28.

O. E. *stijan* has pt. sg. *steyz* Eph. iv 9, 10, *steghe* Acts ii 34, part. *steghne* Acts x 4 (see Bj. p. 62 note); weak is *y-styed* (part.) 1 Cor. ii 9; similarly *schyned* (pt. sg.) Acts xii 7 beside *vmachone* ib. xxii 6, xxvi 13, *wryed* (pt. sg.) Prol. 13. 29 but part. *y-wrye* Prol. 13. 16.

O. E. *ripan*, *riopan* appears as *repe(n)* (inf.) Gal. vi 7, 8, *y-repe* (p. p.) Jam. v 4.

O. E. *spæræn*, or possibly the weak *spæræn*, *spæræn*, is represented by *spærænge* Jude 13.

§ 70. Class II. O. E. *bædan* (cf. *bidden* § 73): pt. sg. *forbæde* ProL 1. 9, 15. 21, *forbæd* ib. 3. 29, 15. 20, 2 Pet. ii 16, *bæd* ProL 15. 18, *forbædde* ProL 3. 19, Acts xxvii 43; part. *forbæden* ProL 15. 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, *bæden* Acts xvi 24, xxiii 31. O. E. *chæsan*: pt. sg. *chæc(e)* ProL 8. 18, 10. 31, 1 Cor. i 27, 28, Acts i 2, once *chæsed* Acts xiii 17; pt. pl. *chæc* Acts vi 5, once *chæsed* xv 33; part. *y-chæsan* 1 Pet. ii 4, Rom. viii 33, *chæsan* Acts xv 7, i 24, *chæst* Jude 1. O. E. *ȝetan*: inf. *ȝete* Acts ii 17, *ȝete* ib. ii 18, part. *ȝete* Jude 11, *ȝette* Acts i 18, *ȝotted* Acts ii 33, x 45.

O. E. *bæjan*, *fæon*, *læjan*, *læsan* have weak forms only: *bowden* (pt. pl.) Acts vi 8, *fædde* (pt. sg.) Acts i 18 (part.) xxvii 30, *læd* (part.) Acts v 4, *læc* (inf.) ProL 2. 33, for *læst* (pt. s.) Jude 5, *y-læst* (part.) ProL 2. 34 etc. See Bülbring, Q. F. 63 p. 90 f.

§ 71. Class III. pl. pra. *hurnep* 1 Pet. iv 4, pt. sg. *bigan(ne)* Acts i 2, xi 4, *drunk* ProL 13. 10, *dranke* Acts ix 9, *bonde* Acts xxi 11, *bræste* Acts i 18, *fonde* Acts x 27, *runne* Acts viii 30; pt. pl. *bygonne* Jam. ii 12, *founden* 1 Pet. ii 10, *fowaden* Mt. ii 11, *ronne* Gal. v 7, *songen* ProL 11. 35, *konep* Rom. viii 26. The Acts have the Northern levelling in favour of the ablaut of the sg. prt.: *ȝei biganne* ii 4, xxvii 2, *dranke* x 41, *faughte* xxiii 9, *fonde* v 22, 23, vii 11, *ran* vi 12, but once *runnen* v 16; the participle regularly *y-bounde* 1 Cor. vii 39, Col. iv 3, *bownden* Acts ix 2, *drunken* Eph. v 18, 1 Cor. xi 21, *drunken* Acts ii 15, *founden* Mt. ii 8, Acts iv 13 etc., *y-ȝolde* 3 John 12, *y-holpe* 2 Cor. vi 2, *hulpan* (!) Acts xxvi 32, *y-mollen* ProL 11. 21, *y-ronne* Phil. ii 16, *y-sprongen* 1 Thea. i 8, *wonnen* Acts ii 41, xxvii 21; weak is *woorped* Acts v 36.

O. E. *-brejdan* has a weak participle *obrayded* 1 Pet. iv 14.

§ 72. Class IV. Only O. E. *beran*, *brecan*, *cuman* are fully represented: pt. sg. *bare* Mt. i 25, Acts xxvi 10, *brake* 1 Cor. xi 24, *com* 1 John v 20, Eph. iv 10 etc., *kome* Acts ii 6 etc., but *breke* ProL 12. 1, Acts xx 11, *bere* Acts xv 8, xxvii 15, *ber* Heb. xi 4 (see Morish § 96 p. 131);—pt. pl. *breken* ProL 10. 27, *bere* 3 John 6, Acts xxvii 2, *schere* Acts xiv 13, *komen* ib. iv 26, but with Northern levelling *bare* Acts iv 33, v 6, *brake* Acts ii 46;—part. *y-boren* 1 John v 19 etc., *bore* ProL 10. 14, Mt. i 16, 20, ii 1, 2, 4, *borne* Acts ii 8, iii 2, *y-broken* ProL 13. 8, *broken* Acts ii 24, ProL 16. 22, 7, *y-come(n)* 1 John ii 18,

Heb. viii 6 etc., *comen* Acts xiv 26, 2 John 7 etc., *vndernomyn* Tit. i 11, *-nome(n)* Eph. v 13, Jam. ii 9, *y-stolen* Eph. iv 28.

The pra. plur. of *sculan* is generally *schuleþ* Rom. viii 13 etc., *schulen* Jude 18, *schul* Acts iii 20, vii 7, 3 John 14, but *schal* Acts xxviii 28, 26, i 8, ii 17, 37, iii 22, iv 15; Matthew has *schal* 14 times, *schule* once.

§ 73. Class V. O. E. *biddan*: *bykde* (1 sg.) 1 Cor. xi 17, *bidde* (inf.) Acts xxv 3, *biddande* ib. xiii 16.—pt. sg. *bade* Prol. 10. 23, Acts x 42, xx 1, xxiv 23, xxvii 43, *bad* Prol. 13. 16, Mt. iv 6, *bode* Prol. 1. 5, 4. 19, 9. 18, 22, 11. 6, 12. 1, 3, cf. *bēodan* § 70, Morsh. § 96 p. 131.—pt. pl. *beden* Prol. 10. 21, *bade* Acts xv 25; part. *y-bede(n)* Prol. 10. 26, 1 Thea. iv 11, *forbeden* Prol. 3. 2, *biden* Acts xviii 2. O. E. *ȝiefan* has pt. sg. in the Acts *gafe* ii 4, vii 5, 8, 10, xii 23, xiii 21 etc., in S^o S^o no instances, in S^o *ȝef* Jam. v 18, Rom. viii 32, 1 Cor. iii 2, Eph. iv 8, v 2, 25 etc. throughout; once *ȝaf* Prol. 3. 11; the pt. pl. is in the Acts *gafe* i 26, xvii 21, xxvii 15 etc., in Jude 4 *ȝaf*, the Prologue has *ȝefen* 13. 21, elsewhere no instances; part. Acts *gifen* iii 14, *vmgyuen* xxviii 20, Matthew *ȝeue* v 27, S^o no instance, in S^o *y-ȝeuen* 1 John v 20, iv 13, iii 24 etc., *forȝeuen* 1 John ii 12, Jam. v 15, once irreg. *forȝouen* Eph. iv 32.

O. E. *etan*: pt. sg. *ete* Prol. 3. 10, 11, 21, 23, Acts x 14, xx 11 etc., *eteste* Acts xi 3, pt. pl. *eten* 2 Thea. iii 8, part. *eten* Acts xxvii 38.

O. E. *-ȝietan* has in the pt. sg. *gate* Mt. i 1—16, pt. pl. *geten* Heb. xi 33, part. *bygete(n)* Mt. i 25, 1 Pet. i 3, 1 John iv 9, v 1 etc., *forȝeten* Jam. i 24, irreg. *goten* Acts xiii 33, xxii 28.

O. E. *licȝan*: pt. sg. *laye* Acts xx 10, part. *lyne* Acts ix 33, *ouerlyne* x 38, *leyen* Prol. 16. 33.

O. E. *sēon* has pt. sg. *saw(e)* in Matthew iii 16, iv 16, 18, 21, the Acts have *sawe* iii 3, ii 31, vii 55, viii 39, ix 8, 41, x 3, 11, xii 3, xiii 36, 37, xvii 16, *se* xxviii 15; in S^o no instance, elsewhere *seyȝ* Prol. 3. 9, 6. 18, 11. 16, 34, Heb. xi 5, *sey* 1 John iii 6, *sauȝ* Prol. 8. 17, 29; pt. pl. in the Acts *sawe* i 11, iv 13, vi 15, ix 7, 35, xvi 40, *see(n)* xvi 19, xxi 27, 32, 29, xxii 9, xxvii 27, *se* xxviii 4, *seghe* xiv 10, xxviii 6. Matthew has *sawe* ii 2, 9, S^o no instance, S^o has *seyen* Prol. 3. 12, 11. 27, Heb. xi 23, *syen* Heb. iii 9 (O. Kent. *sēȝon*); part. Acts *sene* (O. E. adj. *ȝesēne*) iv 20, viii 18, ix 27, xi 13, xvi 10; in S^o *y-seȝe(n)* 1 John i 2, 3, Phil. iii 4, Jam. v 11, 1 Pet. i 8, Rom. viii 24, 1 Cor. ii 9, Col. i 16 etc., *y-seȝe(n)* 1 John iv 12, 14, Phil. i 30, Prol. 10. 13 etc., *y-sene* once 1 John iii 2; Matthew has *sey* v 28,

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seyn vi 1, 5; in *S*² no instances (for pt. of *seon* see Bülbring, Q. F. 63 p. 67 ff.).

O. E. *mazan* has pt. sg. *may* 1 Cor. ii 14 etc., exceptionally *mowe* Phil. iii 11, 12; pt. pl. *mowe(n)* Prol. 6. 3, 12. 27, Rom. viii 8 etc., *maye* Acts iv 12.

O. E. *siltan*: pt. sg. *sate* Acts xxv 6, 17, *sete* Acts xviii 11, xx 9; *sete* Prol. 16. 26, pt. pl. Acts *sat* ii 3, *sate* xxvi 30, *satte* vi 15, *sete* xiii 14, xvi 13, part. *y-sete* Prol. 16. 27.

O. E. *sprecan*, *specan*: pt. sg. *spake* Acts vi 10, *spak* 1 Cor. xiii 11, *speke* Acts xviii 27, xix 8, xxi 40, xxii 9, pt. pl. *spake(n)* Acts iii 24, iv 1, 21, 31, *speke* Acts xvi 13, xix 6, part. (irreg.) (*y*)-*spoke(n)* throughout: Acts iii 21, Heb. xii 5, Jude 15, 17 etc.

O. E. *wrecan* has a weak pt. sg. *wreked* Acts vii 24.

§ 74. Class VI. inf. *slen* Prol. 11. 31, 12. 4, *sles* Acts v 33, ix 29; pt. sg. *drowe* Acts viii 3, 13, *schoke* Acts xviii 6, *slouz* 1 John iii 11, 12 etc., *slow* Prol. 14. 20, Mt. ii 16, *toke* Acts i 9 etc., *forsake* Jude 6, *uor* Heb. iii 11, 18, *mot(e)* Prol. 7. 24, 9. 29, 1 John ii 6, 1 Cor. vii 36, Heb. vii 12; pt. pl. *drowe* Acts ix 8, *lowghne* Acts ii 13, *slowe* Acts ii 23, iii 15, *slowen* Prol. 12. 5, *forsoken* Prol. 2. 24, *stoden* Acts i 10, iv 1, *toke* Acts i 16, *molten* 1 John iv 11, part. *y-drawen* 2 Cor. vi 11, 13, *forsaken* Prol. 7. 23, 5. 9, *y-schape* Eph. iv. 24, but weak *y-schaped* Col. iii 10, *schaken* Acts xxvii 18, *y-slawe(n)* 1 Pet. iii 18, Jam. v 6, Rom. viii 36, 2 Cor. vi 9 etc., but in the Acts *slayne* v 36, xxiii 12, 14, *wipstonden* Acts vii 51, *-stande* Acts xxviii 22, *taken* Acts i 2, 2 John 4 etc. The following participles have passed into Class IV: (*y*)-*hofen* 2 Thea. ii 4, 1 Tim. iii 6, *y-swore(n)* Heb. iv 3, vii 21, *sworne* Acts ii 30.

O. E. *weaxan*, *wascan* appear as reduplicated verbs: pt. sg. *wasche* Acts xvi 33, *waxe* Acts v 14, vi 1, 7, vii 17, ix 37, xix 20, once *waxed* 1 Pet. i 25, part. (*y*)-*wasche(n)* Acts ix 37, 1 Cor. vi 11, 1 Tim. v 10, Prol. 16. 29, *waxen* Acts vi 7, *ouer-waxe* 1 Cor. vii 36.

§ 75. Class VII. Reduplicated verbs.

O. E. *drædan* *hūn* *rædan*, *wēpan*, *slæpan* have developed only weak forms: pt. sg. *dradde* Heb. xi 23, *honged* Acts i 18, *slepped* Acts xiii 36, pt. pl. *dredde* Acts v 26, *weped* Acts ix 39, part. *redde* Acts xv 31, *y-rad* Heb. ix 19, *y-slept* 1 Thea. iv 14; similarly *wealcen* e.g. *y-walked* 1 Pet. iv 3.

O. E. *bētan*: pt. sg. *betty* Acts xxii 19, part. *beten* Acts xvi 22, 23.

O. E. *feallan* has regularly developed forms in the Acts, cf. i 26, iv 5, iii 10, Matthew has pt. pl. *felden* ii 11; noteworthy are pt. sg. opt. *fulle* 1 Pet. iv 12, pt. pl. *fullen* Heb. xi 30.

O. E. *fōn*: inf. *vnderfonge* 3 John 8, pt. sg. *vnderfong* 2 Pet. i 17, pt. pl. and part. *fonge(n)* 1 Thea. ii 13, 1 John v 9, ii 27.

O. E. *hātan*. The Acts have pres. *bihetynges* (sb.) i 4, ii 33, 39; pt. sg. *highte* xiii 32, xvii 7, *biheghte* xiii 23, *bihette* vii 5, pass. *hätte* ix 10, 43, xii 13, part. *hette* ii 39; in Prol. and Epistles pra. *byhotynges* 2 Pet. ii 19, *byhotē* Heb. xii 26, 1 Tim. ii 10, pt. sg. *byhytē* Prol. 1. 12, 9. 20, part. *byhoten* Prol. 9. 19, 10. 8, Jam. i 12, 1 John ii 25.

O. E. *lētan*: pt. sg. *lette* Prol. 13. 20, *lyte* Mt. iii 15, part. *y-let* Prol. 6. 1. The Acts have pres. *late* (imper.) xvi 35, xix 38, pt. pl. *lete(n)* ix 25, xvii 10, part. *laten* iv 23, x 11, xvi 35, xxvi 32, xi 5, xxviii 18.

O. E. *prūcan*: once irreg. pt. sg. *þrowz* Eph. iv 8, elsewhere regular forms. Regular are pt. sg. *blewe* Acts xxvii 13, xxviii 13, *biheld* Acts i 22 etc., *knewe* Acts i 24 etc., *lepe* Acts xix 16, part. *y-blowe* 1 Cor. xiii 4, *y-holden* Rom. vii 6 etc., *to-hewe* Heb. xi 37, *y-knowes* 1 John iv 2, *y-sowe(n)* Jam. i 21, iii 18.

2. Weak Verbs (t. Br. §§ 161—183, Urk. pp. 132 ff., 143 ff.).

§ 76. The O. E. suffixal *i* appears by analogy in all forms of O. E. *herian*: *herȳp* (sg.) Prol. 5. 10, *herȳen* (inf.) Prol. 11. 11, 13. 19, *herȳynges* Prol. 11. 2, Heb. xiii 15, *herȳenges* 1 Pet. iv 3, *herȳed* (pt. pl.) Prol. 11. 23, (part.) 2 Thea. ii 4, *herȳeden* (pt. pl.) Prol. 12. 14; it is further retained in *wonyed* (pt. sg.) Prol. 2. 32 (*louyeris* 1 Pet. iii 8), *schonye* (imp. sg.) 1 Tim. v 11, 2 Tim. ii 23, *schenye* (imp. sg.) ib. ii 16, Tit. iii 10 etc., *erþe-tylyynges* 1 Cor. iii 9 (*-tylyer(e)* Jam. v 7, 2 Tim. ii 6); note further *stonyed* (part.) Acts xxii 17 (see t. Br. § 174), *waries* (pra. sg.) ib. xxiii 4, *waryande* ib. xix. 9 (O. E. *wȳrian*, *wierȳan*; t. Br. § 48 v), *synges* (pra. sg.) Jam. v 13, *sunge* (imp. pl.) Eph. iv 26, *sungeþ* (pra. pl.) 1 Pet. ii 20. For *targeþ* (sg. pra.) 2 Pet. iii 9, *taryynges* Gal. v 26, see t. Br. § 48 v.

§ 77. O. E. *habban* appears frequently with geminated forms in S': *habbe* (inf.) Prol. 47. 25, *habbeþ* (pra. pl.) 1 John i 1, ii 13, 14, 18, 20, iii 11, 16 etc., 1 Cor. iii 5, vi 2, Phil. iv 9, Col. i 14, Heb. x 19 etc. For geminated forms of O. E. *secȳan*, *bycȳan*, *licȳan*, *lecȳan* see § 50.

§ 78. O. E. *clipian*, *cleopian* has occasional strong forms: *clep* (pt. sg.) Prol. 1. 20, 3. 15, *clepen* (pt. pl.) Prol. 4. 8, 9.

§ 79. Double ending occurs in pt. sg. *grawnteded* Prol. 1. 9.

3. Flexional Endings (t. Br. §§ 184—196, Urk. p. 133 ff.).

§ 80. 1 sg. ind. *knowe* Prol. 14. 15, *sugge* 1 Cor. i 12, *loue* 2 John 1, 3 John 1, *haue* 2 John 4, Acts iii 6, *prey* Prol. 14. 16, 1 Cor. i 10, *gife* Acts iii 6, *wole* Prol. 7. 30. 2 sg. ind. In the Acts -es, -e, rarely -este: *haues* v 4, xxii 15, xxv 12, *stondes* vii 33, *gos*, *kepes* xxi 24, cf. further xxii 16, 28, xxiii 3, 4, xxv 10, xxvi 3, 27, 28, but *haueste* i 24, xxiii 11; in S -(e)st: *byddest* Prol. 12. 19, *hast* Prol. 6. 20, 7. 2, *dost* 3 John 5 etc. The pret.-presents have -t, -st: *wost* Prol. 5. 3, 2 Tim. i 15, *mayst* Mt. v 36, *most* Prol. 7. 26, *myst* Prol. 7. 2, 13. 5, *schalt(e)* Acts ii 27, 28, xi 14, Rom. vii 8, but no ending in *schal* Acts ii 27, xvi 31, Jam. ii 11, *can* Acts xxviii 22, *may* ib. xxiv 11. 3 sg. ind. The Acts have -es: *heres* iii 23, *haues* ii 39; v 32 etc.; the remaining parts -eþ: *sekeþ* Mt. ii 13, *sefeþ* Rom. viii 16; once *brekes* Heb. x 28; syncopated forms: *syt* Heb. i 3, *halt* Col. ii 19. 1, 2, 3 sg. subj. *þou passe* Prol. 14. 17, *be* ib. 6. 23, *huyde* ib. 6. 22, *speke* Acts xxvi 1, *here* ib. 3, *eny man sugge* 1 Cor. i 15, *be* ib. vii 34.

§ 81. Plural pres. ind. and subj. The Acts have -e(n), in both moods, occasionally uninflected monosyllabics: *dwollen* i 19, ii 9, 14, *ben* i 21, ii 7, 13, 32, iii 15, 25, *speken* ii 7, *wonduren* iii 12, *sayne* vii 1, *troue* ii 15, *here* ii 33, *see* ii 33, iii 16, *do* vii 51, v 38; subj. *be* v 39, iii 19, *abstene* xv 29, *ben* xvi 36.

The ending -(e)s is rare: *bigynnes* in heading p. 123, note 1, *haues* xv 24, *bihoues* iv 12, *has* xxi 23.

Matthew has as a rule -e(n), or no ending in monosyllabic or contracted verbs in both moods, -(e)þ 6 x; 2 John -e(n) 6 x, -eþ once, subj. -e twice, no ending once; 3 John -e 4 x, no ending once, -(e)þ 3 x; Jude -(e)þ 12 x, -e(n) or no ending 9 x.

In S' the plural ind. ends in -(e)þ, the shorter form in -e or without ending prevailing in monosyllabics or when the pronoun follows the verb: *lofeþ*, *bylefeþ*, *seþ* 1 Pet. i 8, *beþ* Heb. xi 13, Phil. iii 15, *habbeþ* 1 Pet. i 10 etc., *hafseþ* Heb. xii 1, 4 (but always *han* 1 Pet. i 10, ii 3, Rom. vi 17, Heb. xiii 2 etc.), *deme* 3e, *be* 3e Jam. i 4, *se* Rom. viii 25.

The pl. subj. in *-e*, *-en* or occasionally without ending in monosyllabic verbs: *ben* 1 Pet. i 15 etc., *knowe* 2 Pet. iii 17, *synne* 1 John ii 1, *be* 1 Pet. iii 14.

§ 82. *Imperative plural*. Ending: in the Acts *-(e)s*, occasionally *-e* when the pers. pronoun follows: *heres & vnderstonde* iv 8, *bes, dos* iii 19, *here* *3he* ii 22; in Matthew *-e* or no ending: *telle* *3es* ii 8, cf. iii 3, 9, iv 19, v 17, 44, *goo* *3e* ii 8, *do* *3e* iv 17, v 44, iii 8; 2 John: *take* 8, *wyle* *3e* 9, *wyle* *3e* 10, *sey* 10; in 3 John no instance; Jude: *be* 2, *haue* 17, *-e* 4 times. In the remaining parts the ending is the same as that of the 3 pl. ind.: *be* 1 Pet. i 13, *y-here* Jam. ii 5, *loue* *3e* 1 Pet. i 22, *go* *3e* Rom. xii 10, Heb. xiii 13, *y-see* *3e* 1 Cor. i 26.

§ 83. *Infinitive*. The Acts, S² and S³ have *-e* or no ending in monosyllabic verbs: *wryte* 2 John 12, 3 John 13, Jude 3, *abide* Acts i 4, *leue*, *take*, *drede* Mt. i 20, *be* 2 John 2, Mt. ii 4, Acts i 8, ii 17 etc., *do* Acts i 1 etc. In S¹ *-en* is more frequent than *-e*, forms without ending being rare: *ben* 1 Pet. ii 6, iv 18, 2 Pet. ii 1, 2, 9, *don* 2 Pet. ii 6, *welcwen* Jam. i 11, *make* 2 Pet. i 8, *do* 2 Pet. i 10, *be* 1 Cor. vii 26, 2 Pet. i 11 etc.

§ 84. *Pres. participle*. The Acts have *-ande*: *lifande* i 3, *tell-ande* xv 3 etc., exceptionally *-inge* in *stondinge* v 23, xi 13, *plesinge* vii 20, vi 5; S has *-ynge* (*-eng(e)*) throughout: *rynyng* Mt. ii 14, *berynge* 1 Pet. i 9, *goyng* 2 John 4, *abydynge* Jude 21, *preyng* 1 Thea. iii 10.

§ 85. 2 *sg. pret. ind.*: *ete* Prol. 3. 18, 29, *3efe* ib. 3. 20, *were* ib. 3. 18, *knewe* ib. 12. 21, *ete* Acts xi 3, *saidete* ib. iv 25, *3odete* ib. xi 3.

§ 86. *Plural preterite*. The Acts have *-e* or no ending, occasionally *-en* in both strong and weak verbs: *gafe* i 26, *sat* ii 3, *woren* ii 44, *said*, *herde* ii 37, *loked* i 10, *saiden*, *wondurden* ii 7; Matthew has 14 times *-e*, 4 x *-en*, 3 x no ending; 2—3 John: 3 x *-e*, once *-en*; Jude: 4 x *-en*, once *-e*, 4 x no ending; S¹ has *-en*, occasionally *-e*, so mostly when the pers. pronoun follows: *weren* Prol. 1. 20, Rom. vi 20, 1 Cor. i 13, 28 etc., *schulden* Rom. vii 4, 5, Heb. iii 11, *schulde we* Rom. vi 1, 2.

§ 87. *Past participle*. The Acts have *-en*, *-n(e)*, *gifen* xvii 16, *drunken* ii 15, *wonnen* ii 41, *borne* ii 8, iii 2, *sworne* ii 30, *steghne* x 4, *gone* xvii 1, *ben* xix 21; Matthew has *-e* 14 x, *-en* 4 x, *-n(e)* 2 x, no ending once; 2 John *-en* 5 x, *-e* 2 x, 3 John *-e* 2 x, Jude *en* 5 x,

-e 4 x, -n once: *bore* Mt. i 20, ii 1, 2, 4, *sey* Mt. v 28, *knowen* 2 John 1, *come* 2 John 7, Jude 4, *don(e)* Jude 3, Mt. i 22; in S¹ -en (-n) prevails, -e is far less frequent, occasionally no ending in monosyllabics; the prefix *y-* is with a few exceptions regular in unpounded verbs: *y-wryten* Prol. 11. 34, 1 Pet. i 16 etc., *y-bore* 1 Pet. i 23, 1 John v 9, 10, *ydon* Jam. iv 14, *be* Prol. 1. 4, *y-be* 1 Thea. ii 7, *do* Prol. 10. 14, *go* Prol. 11. 25, *y-sey* 1 John iv 12, *holden* Prol. 6. 23, *broken* Prol. 8. 9.

4. *Anomala.*

§ 88. O. E. *wesan*, *bēon*. 1 sg. pres. ind. *am* in S and the Acts: Mt. iii 17, Acts vii 33 etc.—2 sg. *art* in S, Jam. ii 11, Mt. v 25 etc., in the Acts *erte* ix 5, xxii 8 etc., once *arte* xxi 38; 3 sg. *is* in S, *es* in the Acts i 7, 11, 12 etc.—pra. plur. in S, *beþ* Jam. ii 9, Rom. xiii 1 etc.; in the Acts *þe(n)* v 25, vii 16 etc., once *are* iv 24.—pt. pl. *were(n)* in S, 1 Pet. ii 10, 25 etc.; in the Acts *wore(n)* i 6, ii 1 etc. more frequent than *were(n)* ii 41, 44 etc.

§ 89. O. E. (*je*)-*ȝode*. The forms *ȝede(n)*, *ȝode(n)* (see for instances § 28) do not occur in S¹.

§ 90. For forms of O. E. *willan* see § 33.

THE DIALECTS.

§ 91. *The Acts.* The verbal inflexions clearly point to a North Midland dialect: 2, 3 sing. pres. ind. in -(e)s § 80, pres. pl. ind. in -e(n) § 81, imp. pl. in -es (-e) § 82, pres. part. in -ande § 84, cf. Morsb. § 7. It is not easy to distinguish between the East and West Midland dialects, but the following characteristics seem to indicate the East as a home for our text: (a) the *a* before nasals in *man*, *can* etc. § 2, Morsb. §§ 7, 91; (b) the forms *wore(n)*, or § 10, *bore* § 9 which are principally found in works belonging to this locality, see references § 10, but cf. Dibelius, *John Capgrave und die englische Schriftsprache*, Diss. Berlin, 1895, p. 25; (c) the prevalence of *e* in unaccented end syllables (-es, -ed, -et), e.g. *schewed*, *argumentes* i 3, *tymes*, *fallēs* i 7, *londes*, *amonges* ii 45 etc., rarely the Western -us, -ud: *crokud* iii 2, *fastud* x 30, *almes-dedus* x 31, *callud* x 32; (d) the pres. part. in -ande is mostly found in the West, but it occurs also frequently in the Norfolk Gilds (Schultz, p. 36 ff.), in Capgrave's works and occasionally in the Paston Letters and other Eastern documents (cf. Dibelius, *Anglia*, xxiv p. 255 § 301 a).

The Acts may therefore be placed with a fair amount of certainty in the Northern parts of the East Midlands.

From the following indications it seems probable, however, that they were transcribed from a still more Northern original: (a) the remaining Northern *a* in *takens* and possibly in *sande*, *lande*, *vnderstande* etc. § 2 b (but cf. Morsb. § 90); (b) the plurals *breper*, *childer*, *kende* § 56, the pronouns *þai* § 63, *þaire*, *þeire* § 64, the frequent Northern levelling in the pret. of strong verbs §§ 69—74, the occasional pres. pl. ind. in *-(e)s* § 81; (c) the Northern character of the vocabulary: *bus* ix 7, *vmpoghten* v 24, *vmschone* xxii 6, xxvi 13, *vimgyuen* xxviii 20, *aylastande* xiii 46, 48, *brodde* xxvi 14, *sterne(s)* vii 43, xxvii 19, *gartle* xvi 15, cf. xxvi 11, xxviii 19, *þeþen* xxvii 4, 12, xxviii 13, *bigge* (inf.) xv 16, *incalled* (part.) xv 17, *vpraise* xv 16 etc.

Some additional traces of this more Northern dialect are retained in MSS. S, P, D: *whas* (D) ix 11, x 6, xi 28, *whulke* (S, D) xxiii 21, *þeyres* (S, P, D) xxi 6, *þat eer!* (S, P, D) *þat es* (C) i 17.

§ 92. As regards MS. S we have to distinguish between 2 and 3 John, Jude (S²) and Matthew (S³) on the one hand, the Prologue and remaining Epistles (S¹) on the other. S¹ is Southern in character, as can be seen from the verbal flexion: (a) 2, 3 sing. pres. ind. in *-(e)st*, *-(e)þ* § 80, (b) pres. plur. ind. in *-(e)þ* § 81, (c) pres. part. in *-ynge* § 84, (d) occasional syncopated present forms *syt*, *halt* § 80, (e) occasional suffixal *-y-* in the second class of weak verbs § 76, (f) frequent levelling in favour of the ablaut of the plural in the preterite of the fourth and fifth class of strong verbs §§ 72, 73 (Morsb. § 9 a).

It has further principally Western characteristics: (a) O. E. *y*, *ȝ* is partly retained, written *u*, *uy* § 8. 1; (b) O. E. *ȝ* is regularly *uy* § 15; (c) O. E. *æ* appears as *e* occasionally in the preterite *ves* § 3 a; (d) O. E. *a* before single nasal remains § 2, whereas the Middle-South has *o* (Morsb. § 93); (e) the forms *segge*, *sugge* belong to the South-West (Morsb. § 109. 4).

But there are also a few indications of the Kentish or South-Eastern dialect: (a) occasional *o* before *nk* in *þonke*, *þonkynges*, *dronk* § 2 b (Morsb. § 94); (b) not unfrequent *e*-forms for O. E. *y*, *ȝ*: *gren*, *lether*, *efel* etc. § 8 b, c (Morsb. §§ 9 b, 132); (c) occasional *a > e* before nasal + cons. § 4 (Morsb. § 108, anm. 1. 1).

It is evident from the above that the text of S¹ does not present an absolutely pure dialect; its chief character is, however, shown to

be South-Western, the deviating forms being either due to the scribes or indicative of a Kentish original, see p. xvii.

§ 93. S¹ and S² are Midland in character, though many Southern forms have been introduced by the scribe of S or preceding copyists. The following are the chief differences between S² S³ on the one hand and S¹ on the other: (1) O. E. *y*, *ȝ* are as a rule *i*-sounds in S² S³, except in *whuche*, *churche*, in S¹ *u*, *uy* § 8. 2; (2) O. E. *ȝ* > *i* (*ȝ*) in S², in S³ once *ȝ*, once *uy*, S¹ regularly *uy* § 15; (3) O. E. *ālc* 'omnis' > *eche*, in S¹ (*efer*)*iche*, rarely (*efer*)*eche* § 10; (4) O. E. *lic* > *-ly*, in S¹ *-lyche* § 36, similarly O. E. *ic* > *y*, in S¹ *ych* (*y*) § 63; (5) the pronouns *þer*, *þise* do not occur in S¹ §§ 64, 65; (6) in the pres. plur. ind. the ending *-(e)n*, *-(e)* is more frequent than *-(e)þ*, the proportions being in S² = 20 : 16, in S³ = 40 (six of which are probl. subj.: v 11, 46, vi 4, 5) : 6, whereas *-(e)þ* is the rule in S¹ § 81; (7) the inf. ends in *-(e)*, in S¹ *-en* is more frequent than *-e* § 83; (8) in S¹ the prefix *y-* is regular in the past part. of uncompound verbs, it does not occur in S² S³ § 87; (9) the Northern levelling in the preterite of strong verbs is found occasionally in S² S³, e.g. *sawe* (pl.) twice, *schal* (pl.) 14 x : *schule* once in S³, *ȝaf* (pl.) Jude 4 §§ 72, 73; in S¹ no instances.

A more Northern home for Matthew (S²) is indicated by the twice occurring *whas* iii 11, 12 in MS. D, the forms *sekep* ii 13, *aske* vi 8, further by the vocabulary: *callyd* (pt. sg.) ii. 7, *gretynge* ii 18, *þen* (< *þepēn*) iv 21, *outetake* v 32 etc.; the same was probably the case with S³, as can be seen from the many Northern forms and words remaining in D, see p. xiv.

S² again differs from S¹ not only in dialect, as has been shown above, but also in vocabulary. The following words in S² do not occur in S¹: *a-knowe* 2 John 7, *sopfastnesse* ib. 1, 2, 3, 4, 3 John 1, 3, 4 etc., *forfendep* 3 John 10, *lore* 2 John 9, 10, *vnfyled* Jude 24, *jede(n)* §§ 28, 89, *soply* 'enim, autem' 2 John 6, 7, 3 John 7, Jude 4, 8 etc. Cf. chap. iv. §§ 96, 97.

S² differs from S³ in being less pronounced Midland in dialect, see above the proportion of *-en* : *-eþ* in the pres. plur. ind.

§ 94. To sum up, it has been shown above that the dialect of our text is in no way homogeneous, the bulk of it, viz. the Prologue, James, Peter, 1 John and the Pauline Epistles belonging to the South-West of England, whereas the original from which the Acts were copied and probably 2—3 John, Jude and Matthew as well must have been written down in the North or the Northernmost part of the Midlands.

CHAPTER IV.

THE TRANSLATION.

IN the preceding chapter it was shown how our text fell into certain groups exhibiting marked dialectical differences.

It would therefore seem a natural conclusion to draw that the connection between these dialectically varying parts is somewhat loose, perhaps limited to the fact of their having once been copied into the same volume. In the present chapter an attempt will be made to determine how far these dialectical variations correspond to differences in the mode of rendering the Latin text.

§ 95. With regard to S' the question is easily settled. It suffices to show how uniformly and characteristically it differs from the remaining parts in the rendering of certain Latin words and phrases. For the sake of comparison I add the corresponding forms from the Catholic Epistles of MS. D, and for the sake of brevity use D to denote whatever in our text is not S'.

accipere personas, acceptio, acceptor personarum.

S' *vnderfonge mennes persones, -ynge of mennes persones* Jam. ii 1, 9, 1 Pet. i 17, Col. iii 25, Ephes. vi 9.

D *outetaker of parsons* Acts x 34, Jam. ii 1, *rewarde-takynge* 1 Pet. i 17, *accepte* Jam. ii 9.

ambulare.

S' *walken* Rom. vi 4, viii 1, 4, xiii 13, 1 Cor. iii 3, vii 17 etc. throughout.

D *go* (3ode) Acts iii 6, 8, 12, xiv 9, xxi 24, 1 John ii 6, 11, 2 John 4, 6, 3 John 3, 4, *wende* Acts ix 31, xiv 7, Mt. iv 18, *walke* 2 Pet. ii 10, 1 John i 6, 7, 2 John 6, Jude 16, *wandrs* Jude 18.

autem, enim.

S' renders these words in different ways, but never by *sopely*, *forsope* (once *soplyche* 'vero' 1 John ii 5), e.g. *and* 1 John i 7, ii 2, v 3, 1 Pet. ii 25 etc., *bote* 1 John ii 5, 11, 17, 1 Pet. ii 7, 9, 20, 23, *for* (enim) 1 John iv 20, 1 Pet. ii 21 etc., they are left untranslated 1 John ii 2, iv 18, 1 Pet. ii 10 etc.

D on the contrary scarcely uses any other expressions than *soply* (*forsope*) to render these words. In Jude *soply* translates *autem, vero, enim, quidem* and occurs 12 times; Matthew i 18—25 has *soply* (*forsope*) 8 times in as many verses, Mt. iii 14 times in 17 verses; the Acts have in chap. i *forsope* : *soply* = 4 : 2, in chap. ii = 1 : 10 etc., James i = 2 : 13, 1 Pet. ii = 0 : 10.

charissime, -i.

S¹ has the adjective regularly in the superlative, e.g. *my derests breperen* 1 John ii 7, iii 2, 21, iv 1, 7, 11, 2 Pet. iii 14, Phil. ii 12, iv 1, similarly *dereste, leucste* 1 Pet. ii 11, iv 12, 2 Pet. iii 1, 15, Eph. v 1, vi 21, 1 Thea. ii 8, 2 Tim. i 2, once only 'my *ders frendes*' 2 Pet. iii 8.

D again has always the adjective in the positive: *ders frend* etc. 3 John 1, 2, 5, 11, Jude 3, 20, Acts xv 25, 1 Pet. ii 11, iv 12, 2 Pet. iii 1, 8, 14, 15, 1 John ii 7, iii 2, 21, iv 1, 7, 11; once the adj. is omitted: *my breperen* Jude 17.

Similarly *dilectissimi* Heb. vi 9, Jam. i 16, 19, ii 5.

commoneo, moneo.

S¹ *warne* 2 Pet. i 12, Col. iii 16, 1 Thea. v 13, 2 Tim. ii 14.

D *moneste* Acts xx 31, *amoneste* Jude 5, cf. 1 John iii 19; twice D misreads *u* for *n* and translates *meue* 2 Pet. i 12, *moue* 3 John 10.

credere.

S¹ *bylefen* throughout (*leue* once 1 John iv 1).

D *troue* throughout (*knowe* once Acts ix 26, *hope* once ib. xv 11; no instance in Matthew).

efundere.

S¹ *y-ached* Tit. iii 6.

D *yete, yote oute* Jude 11, Acts ii 17, 18, 33, x 45.

gens, -tes.

S¹ renders this word characteristically by *mybylefed* (*men*): 1 Pet. iv 3, 1 Cor. i 23, v 1, xii 2, Eph. iv 17, Col. i 27, 1 Thea. ii 16, 1 Tim. ii 7, iii 16, 2 Tim. i 11, also Prologue 14. 31, 47. 18, *folke* 1 Thea. iv 5, 1 Pet. ii 12.

D *gentyles* 1 Pet. ii 12, 3 John 7, Acts vii 45, ix 29, xi 1, 18, xiv 15, *folke* Mt. iv 15, Acts iv 25, 27, vii 7, ix 15, xxiv 10, *nacyons* 25 x in the Acts.

justitia.

S¹ *rystfulness* throughout (37 x), also in Prol. 15. 11, cf. 6. 27, 15. 13.

D *rystwisenes* throughout (11 x).

libertas.

S¹ *freedom* Jam. i 25, ii 12, 1 Pet. ii 16, 2 Pet. ii 19, Rom. viii 21, Gal. v 13, cf. Prol. 15. 6.

D *freneue* Jam. i 25, ii 12, 1 Pet. ii 16, 2 Pet. ii 19.

resurgo, surgo, resurrectio (a mortuis).

Characteristic of S¹ is the addition of the phrase *from deþ to lyfe* to *ryse, arys* etc., e.g. 1 Pet. i 3, iii 21, Rom. vi 4, 5, 9, vii 4, viii 34, Phil

iii 10, 11, Col. ii 12, 1 Thea. iv 13, 2 Tim. ii 8, Heb. xi 35; the phrase is omitted 1 Thea. iv 15, Heb. xi 35; in Heb. vi 2 'resurrectio mortuorum' = 'arysynges aseyne of dede men.'

D never adds the phrase *from deþ to lyfe*, e.g. 1 Pet. i 3, Acts i 22, ii 31, iv 2, 33, x 41, xvii 3, 18, 32, xxiii 6, 8, xxiv 15, 21, xxvi 22.

seduco.

S' *byggys* Jam. i 26, 1 John i 8, ii 26, iii 7, Rom. vii 11, 1 Cor. iii 18, Gal. vi 3, Eph. v 6, Col. ii 18, 2 Thea. ii 3, 1 Tim. ii 14.

D *disseyues* Jam. i 26, 1 John i 8, ii 26, iii 7, Acts viii 9, cf. Mt. v 38.

seductor.

S' *gylors* 2 Cor. vi 8, 2 Tim. iii 13, Tit. i 10.

D *dycecyuers* 2 John 7 (twice).

veritas.

S' *treweþ* throughout.

D *sopfastnesse* 27 times, *treweþ* once in 3 John 12, *verite* once Acts xxii 3; no instance in Matthew.

These instances could be multiplied *ad infinitum*, but taken in conjunction with the dialectical and other differences between S' and the remaining parts of our text (§§ 103, 107, 117, 119) they suffice to prove that S' is an independent translation.

§ 96. 2—3 John and Jude (S') are as we know common property to two sets of Catholic Epistles, those of S' and D. It may be surmised that they form the regular continuation of one of these. S' may, however, be eliminated at once, since it has been shown to differ entirely both in dialect and translation from the remaining parts (§§ 93, 95). There remain the Catholic Epistles of D, and as a matter of fact they agree in dialect with S' (§ 93 p. xiv), and further in vocabulary since all the words (except *forfendeþ* § 93) characteristic of S' and unknown to or unused by the translator of S' occur in the Epistles of D as well, e.g.

a-knowe 1 John ii 23 (3 x), iv 2, 15, *sopfastnesse* Jam. i 18, iii 14, v 19, 2 Pet. i 12, ii 2 etc., *sopely* Jam. i 6, 9, 10, 11, 13 etc., *vnfiled* Jam. i 27, *vnflynge* 1 Pet. iii 4, *fyled* 2 Pet. ii 22, *fylynges* 2 Pet. ii 20, *lore* 2 Pet. ii 2 (gloss), *jede* Jam. i 24, *joden* 2 Pet. ii 15 etc.

They agree further in the rendering of certain Latin words and phrases, see § 95 under *charissime*, *veritas*, *seduco*, *seductor* etc., in the characteristic order of words in dependent sentences § 104, and finally in the low standard of accuracy of translation, which falls far below that of S', see §§ 108, 116, 119. S' may therefore safely be considered as an integral part of the Catholic Epistles of D.

§ 97. With regard to the relationship between the Catholic Epistles of D on the one side and the Acts on the other the evidence is mainly in favour of their being the work of the same hand. The North Midland dialect-forms remaining in D (p. xiv) are similar to those found in the Acts of MS. O (§ 91) and point to the same geographical home for the two texts. From § 95 it will also be seen that they mostly agree in the rendering of the Latin test-words given. Remarkable and convincing is for instance the constant use of the positive to render the Latin *charissime*, -i (*dilectissime*, -i), as opposed to the superlative found in S¹ and also in the two Wycliffite Versions. It seems unlikely that two men should have been affected by the same idiosyncrasy on this one point.

Characteristic of both is further the not unfrequent rendering of Lat. *omnis* 'every' by *alle*, a comparatively rare usage which according to Einkenel is a peculiarity of the North rather than the South¹. It is also unknown to the Southern text of S¹. The following cases appear certain examples: 1 Pet. ii 13, iii 15 (1), 1 John iii 4, 9, v 1, 4, Jam. i 17 (twice), Acts ii 5, 21, x 35 etc.

In S¹, on the contrary, *omnis* is almost universally rendered by *euerich*, e.g. Jam. i 2, 17, 21, iii 16, 1 Pet. i 24, ii 1, 13, iii 15 etc.

Common to both texts is further the frequent inversion of the ordinary prose order of words in dependent sentences § 104, and a certain tendency to use alliterative phrases § 121.

Concerning the vocabulary it may be noted that most of the words characteristic of the Epistles of D but unknown to S¹ (§§ 93, 96) are found in the Acts, e.g. *oknowe* ix 14, 21, *filed* ii 31, *sopfastenes* x 34, xxvi 25, *sopely* i 7, 20, ii 5, 12, 13 etc., *jede*, *jode* § 28.

Finally the text of the Acts and the Epistles of D are equally vitiated by a number of alternative readings, glosses and other interpolations which are practically unknown in S¹ (§§ 108, 109, and p. 209 ff.).

In fact it may be concluded with the greatest probability that the Catholic Epistles of D and the Acts are the work of the same translator.

§ 98. With regard to the opening chapters of the Gospel of St Matthew which occur in our text the simplicity of language and constructions offers but little scope for the characteristic blunders of

¹ *Anglia*, xxvii 1, p. 39 (1908).

a translator and consequently but few means of establishing a connection with the preceding parts. In general the arguments used in the preceding paragraph to prove the close relationship between the Epistles of D and the Acts hold good for Matthew. Like these texts it is Midland with a few remaining traces of a more Northerly dialect, especially in MS. D (§ 93); in the Latin test-words given in § 96 it will be seen that Matthew agrees with the other parts of D whenever the word happens to occur, cf. *aulem*, *justitia*; it agrees with the Acts in the rendering of *scriba* by *wyȝe men* Mt. ii 4, v 20, Acts iv 5, vi 12 (once *scribe* Acts xix 35), as opposed to *makers of the lawe* in S¹, 1 Cor. i 20, cf. Jam. iv 12; of *projicere* by *caste* Mt. v 29, 30, cf. Acts xxii 23, xxvii 19 etc., of *exceptus* by *outetake(n)* Mt. v 32, Acts xxvi 29 etc.

Like the Acts and the Epistles of D, Matthew has a number of glosses and other additions to the text § 110.

On the whole there is no reason to assume that the translation of Matthew was done anywhere but in the same part of the country as the Acts and the Epistles of D, or by any other than the same man; there is at all events nothing in the vocabulary or general mode of rendering the Latin that contradicts this statement.

§ 99. We may now pass on to a brief survey of the respective merits and demerits of our translations and when possible draw a comparison with the great versions of the same period, the so-called Earlier and Later Wycliffite Versions (= EV and LV).

§ 100. *Vocabulary.* The number of French loanwords¹ is smaller in our text than in the corresponding parts of the Wycliffite Versions. As an instance I give the foreign element in James ii:—

S ¹	D	EV	LV
		accepcioun*	"
1 feiþ*		"	"
persones*	"	"	"
		glorie*	"
2 cumpanye		couent*	cumpany
		entre* (2 x)	entrith*
pore*	"	"	"
	symple	habit*	"
3 pore*	"	"	"
		cleer*	"
4	iustises		

¹ By French loanwords I understand here nouns, adjectives, adverbs and verbs of French, Latin, Greek or Celtic origin.

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	GI	D	EV	LV
5	pore*	iustices	cleer*	entrith*
	ryche	"	"	"
	feij*	"	"	"
	heyres*	"	"	"
6	pore*	"	"	"
	ryche	"	"	"
		power	"	"
			despisid	"
			oppressen*	"
7	blaspheme*	"	"	"
8	parforme}		"	"
	scripturis*		"	"
9	persones*	"	"	"
		accepte*	reproued	"
	trespassoures	"	"	"
		blamyd		
10	offende}	trespase}	offende*	"-ith
11	leccherye (2 x)	"	"	"
	trespasour	"	"	"
12		dowte	parfyt	
13	mercy (3 x)	"	"	"
14	prophyte}	profyte	"	"
	feij* (2 x)	"	"	"
	sauen*	"	"	"
15		sustynaunce		
16	profyte}	pees*	"	"
			necessarie*	"
		profyte	"	"
17	feij*	"	"	"
18	feij* (3 x)	"	"	"
19		deueles	"	"
			tremblen	"
20	veyn	"	"	"
	feij*	"	"	"
21	y-iustified*	"	"	"
	offrynge*	"	"	"
	auter*	"	"	"
22	feij* (2 x)	"	"	"
23	scripture*	"	"	"
24	y-iustified*	"	iustified	"
	feij*	"	"	"
25	y-iustified*	"	iustified	"
			receyuyng	resseyuede
	messyngeres	messageres	"	messangeres
26	spiryte*	"	"	"
	feij*	"	"	"
	46	46	62	58

For the sake of comparison I give the respective numbers in the following chapters:—

	S ¹	D	EV	LV
Jam. i	58	56	64	62
1 Pet. ii	65	65	80	75
2 John		22	24	24
3 John		24	24	23
Jude		79	87	84
Acts i		38	44	46
" ii		80	89	85
Matth. i		11	18	15
" ii		39	37	41
" iii		27	30	27
" iv		37	43	41
		478	540	523

§ 101. Since our text is a version of the Latin Vulgate it is only natural that a translator should have been largely influenced in his choice of words by the original before him and that he should have thought it an easy and convenient plan to adopt the word which most closely resembled the Latin form. These more or less etymological renderings are frequent in our text; in James ii, for instance (see above § 100), every word marked with an asterisk is etymologically connected with the word it translates, the numbers being as follows: S¹ 31—D 27—EV 40—LV 38.

In the other chapters quoted above these cognate renderings are as follows:—

	S ¹	D	EV	LV
James i	37	38	44	39
1 Pet. ii	39	36	49	45
2-3 John		19	22	21
Jude		44	53	47
Acts i		21	24	23
" ii		57	69	61
Matth. i		7	14	11
" ii		24	24	24
" iii		20	20	22
" iv		26	34	31
		292	353	324

From these numbers it will be seen that in this respect also our text compares favourably with the Wycliffite Versions.

The following are additional instances of the influence of the Latin source upon the vocabulary of the translators:—

doctor = *doctoures* Acts xiii 1, 1 Tim. i 7, but *techeres* 1 Cor. xii 28, 29, Eph. iv 11 etc.;—*doctrina* = *doctrine* Acts xiii 12, xvii 19, 1 Tim. iv 1, 6, 13, 16 etc., beside the more usual *techinges* Acts ii 42, v 28, Rom. vi 17, xii 7 etc., and *lore* 2 John 9, 10;—*gentilis* = *gentyles* Acts xiv 5, xvii 4, 12 etc., but *panyne* ib. xvi 1, 3, *þo folke* ib. xx 21;—*imperium* = *empyre* 1 Tim. vi 16, Heb. ii 14, 1 Pet. v 11, but *gret lordschups* Jude 25, *power of comaundynges* Tit. ii 15, 1 Pet. iv 11, *comaundynges* 1 Cor. vii 6, 1 Tim. i 1;—*ira* = *ire* Acts xix 28, James i 19 (D), elsewhere *wrapps*;—*justificare* = *iustifye* in S¹ and the Acts but in the Epistles of D *make rystwysse* Jam. ii 21, 24, 25;—*offendiculum* = *offendikel* Acts xxiv 16 etc.

§ 102. In other cases alliteration or assonance with the Latin word seems to have determined the translators' choice of expression, e.g.

impositio manuum = *puttynge in of þe honden* 1 Tim. iv 14, Heb. vi 2, 2 Tim. i 6, cf. Acts viii 17, 18, 19; *posuit in sua potestate* = *putte in his power* Acts i 7, cf. Acts ii 35, iv 3, 35, v 18, 1 Thea. iii 3, Mt. v 14, 18; *animam*...*posuit* = *putte his soule*, *animas ponere* = *putten oure soules* 1 John iii 16, Prol. 7. 16, 17, cf. Ælfric Hom. ii 318 *sealde hine sylfne—syllan us sylfe*; *restituere* *restore* Acts i 6; *restitutionis restorynges* ib. iii 21; *cognominatus his koupe-nume es* ib. i 23—LV *was named*; *mirabantur merueilde* LV *wondriden* Acts ii 12, cf. Acts ii 7, Jude 16; *scabellum scamel* LV *stool* Acts ii 35; *annumeratus anonburde* LV *nonnbrid* Acts i 26; *regnum regne* LV *kingdom* Mt. v 3, 10 etc.

§ 103. The influence of the Latin source on the *syntax* is comparatively slight in S¹, since the translator is extraordinarily careful to render his original according to the sense of the passage and the English idiom. But there are of course exceptions. In the treatment of the Latin tenses, for instance, he sometimes deviates from the current usage. Characteristic is the frequent rendering of the Latin perfectum by the perfect indefinite where the Later Wycliffite Version uses the preterite, e.g.

		S ¹	LV
1 Pet. i 3	regeneravit	haþ bygeten...a3eyn	bigat a3en
" 12	evangelizaverunt	haueþ y-preched	prechiden
" 15	vocavit	haþ ycleped	clepid
" 21	dedit	haþ y-geuen	3af
" ii 7	reprobaverunt	han reproued	repreuyden
" 9	vocavit	haþ ycleped	clepide
" iv 3	ambulaverunt	habbeþ y-walked	walkiden

Cf. further 2 Pet. i 3, 4, ii 1 (twice), 22, iii 2, 4, Rom. vi 17, viii 30 (5 x), 32, Heb. ii 2 etc.

In the Acts, on the contrary, the Latin perfectum is usually rendered by the preterite, the perfect indefinite being comparatively rare and mostly found in direct speech. In the first chapter for instance 21 preterites are used but only 3 perfects (4, 7, 16). In chapter two the numbers are 15 : 4, in chapter three 17 : 2 etc.

In 2 John there are 2 preterites (7, 12) and 5 perfects (1, 4, 4, 5, 6 (doubtful)), in 3 John = 3 : 0, in Jude = 12 : 2.

In Matthew i the Latin perfectum is rendered 46 times by the preterite, in chap. ii 22 times, no perfect forms occur at all.

. § 104. The most characteristic syntactical feature of 2—3 John, Jude and the Acts is their not unfrequent retention of the Old English order of words in dependent sentences (Sweet, *NEGr.* § 1776). They differ in this respect both from S¹ and the Later Wycliffite Version, which exhibit the ordinary modern mid-verb position in dependent sentences. In some cases this end-position of the verb in the above parts of our text may be due to slavish adherence to the Latin, e.g.

2 John 6 ut...in eo ambuletis þat 3e in hym schulde go LV walke 3e in hym, 3 John 3 sicut tu in veritate ambulas as þou in soþfastnesse gost LV as thou walkist in treuthe, Jude 15 quibus impie egerunt þe *whuche wykkedly þei wrouȝte* LV bi whiche thei diden wickedli, Acts i 21 qui nobiscum sunt congregati þat ben wiþ vs gadurde togider LV that ben gaderid togidere with vs.

In most cases, however, it is evidently the translator's own expression, e.g.

2 John 1 qui cognoverunt veritatem þat soþfastnesse han knowen LV that knowen treuthe, 2 quæ permanet in nobis þat in þou dwellen LV that dwellith in þou, 7 Jesum Christum venisse in carnem *J. C. in fleisch haue come* LV that J. C. hath come in fleisch, Jude 15 quæ locuti sunt contra Deum þat...*azeyns God haue spoken* LV han spoke azens God, Acts ii 24 teneri illum ab eo þat helle hym schulde holde LV that he were holdun of it, ib. 30 de fructu lumbi ejus þat of þo frute þat oute of hym schulde kome LV that of the fruyt of his leende, iv 21 quod factum fuerat þat bi hem was done LV that was done, vi 15 qui sedebant in concilio þat in þo konseyl satte LV that seten in the counsel etc.

The same peculiarity may be observed in the Catholic Epistles of D, e.g.

Jam. iv 14 quid erit in crastino *what to morwe schal falle* S¹ what schal fallen a-morwe, v 4 quæ fraudata est a vobis þe *whuche fro hem 3e haue wiþholden* S¹ þat 3e haueþ bygyled hem of, 2 Pet. ii 7 oppressum a nefandorum injuria þat wiþ þe *wickedde was ouerlyen* S¹ and oppressed of

þe iniurye of wycked men, 1 John i 1 quod vidimus oculis nostris *and wiþ oure eyen sawe Sⁱ þat we habbeþ...y-seyen wiþ oure yjen*, ib. 2 quæ... apparuit nobis *þat...to us appered Sⁱ & haþ appered to ous*, iii 13 si odit vos mundus *if þe worlde þow hate Sⁱ þow þe worlde hate you*, cf. ib. iii 1, 9 etc.

§ 105. Occasionally a Latin accusative with infinitive or participial construction is retained, e.g.

2 Pet. iii 9 nolens aliquos perire *and none men perysche*.

Acts i 9 videntibus illis *hem seande*, ii 24 solutis doloribus inferni *þo paynes of hells loused ande broken*, v 3 mentiri te *þow forto lyghe* (nom. c. inf.) LV that thou lye.

2 John 7 qui...confitentur Jesum Christum venisse in carnem *þat...knowlecheþ J. C. in flesch haue come*, ib. 12 spero me futurum apud vos *y suppose me come to þow*.

§ 106. *Additions.* Our text contains a considerable portion of matter foreign to the Latin original and added partly by the translators, partly by subsequent correctors and scribes.

These additions may be divided into three classes:—(1) *alternative readings* standing parenthetically or introduced by *or* which by subsequent scribes was often changed to *nor*, *ne*, or *and*, (2) *explanatory glosses* introduced by *that is* or *as who seie*, (3) *expletives* added by the translator in order to fill out the terse Latin expression, or to make his rendering clearer or more idiomatic.

§ 107. Sⁱ is comparatively free from these elements. Class (2) is not represented at all, and class (1) but sparingly: 1 Peter has, for instance, only two alternative readings, viz. v 3 ex animo = of *þoure wyll of þoure soule*, iii 3 circumdatio auri = enuyronyng *aboute of gold oþer an-oþer clopyng*. This latter is, however, doubtful, since it may translate 'aut indumenti' in the following phrase: 'aut indumenti vestimentorum cultus.' 2 Peter has one instance, ii 5 a bedel & a foregoere = præconem; James has six, i 1 hele *and gretynge*, ib. 6 in feiþ & trust (doubtful), iii 17 (doubtful), v 10, 11 (twice); Romans, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Colossians no instances; 1 John, 1 Corinthians, Ephesians, 2 Thessalonians one respectively, Philipians, 1 Thessalonians two instances each, Hebrews and Titus three.

Class (3), on the other hand, is largely made up by instances from Sⁱ, the translator being evidently bent upon making his version readable and idiomatic even at the risk of being thought inaccurate. The possessive pronouns *his*, *hure*, *oure*, *þoure* he adds freely, e.g.

oure Lord 1 Cor. vi 13, 14, xi 11, Eph. iv 1, v 22 etc., *þoure* Fader 1 Pet. i 17 etc., *hure* myt Jam. ii 6,—*werkes* ih. 25, *his* flesch 1 Pet. iv 1, *oure* Lord & *oure* Safyours 2 Pet. iii 2.

Similarly words like *wel*, *God*, *Goddes*, *Christ* etc. in order to elucidate the sense, e.g.

Goddes son 1 John v 12, Heb. v 8, *God* said Heb. viii 8 (twice), 9, *ejus*—of *God* 1 John iii 23, iv 12, *Holy Spirit* ib. ii 20, *knowynge* and 1 Tim. i 9, *wyte* *ye wel* Jam. i 19.

According to current phraseology he renders 'ecclesia' by *holy church*, e.g. Eph. v 23, 24, 25, Col. i 18, 24.

A number of other additions, mostly due to his striving after clearness and good sense, can be recorded throughout S':—

1 Tim. i 9 *þer* is no lawe y-set to a ryghtful *man* bote to vnryghtful *men*... & to wikked *men*, & to synful *men*, & to cursed *men*..., ib. 10—11 & what-*eser* elles *þat þer be*, *þat be* azeyn hol techynge of þe euangely...þe whuche *euangely* is y-take to me, 1 Cor vii 29 *þilke þat habbeþ wyfes*...as þouȝ þei ne hadden none *wyfes*, Heb. iii 18 þei schulden noȝt eutren in-to his reste...þei ne myȝte not eutren *in-to his reste*, similarly iv 6, Heb. v 3 offren for hym-self & his synnes, as for þe *pepel & hure synnes*, Heb. vii 13 an-oþer kynrede, of þe whuche *kynrede*, ib. 14 y-boren of þe *kynrede* of Juda, Jam. i 9, 24 *þasse forþ his weye*, ib. iii 15 *erþelyche wysdom* & a bestyach *wysdom* & þe defeles *wysdom*, 2 Cor. vi 9 *ȝet be ȝe as þilke þat beþ vnknowe*, 1 Pet. i 6 in þe laste tyme; in þe whyche *tyme ȝe schuleþ ioyn*, ib. 12 To whuche *prophetes* it wes y-told, 1 Johu ii 25 *byboten ȝow þat he rolc ȝeuen ȝow an eferlastynge lyf*, Rom. v 19 *many men beþ y-maad synful men*, so by þe boẏumnesse of ou *man many men beþ y-maad ryghtful men*, ib. vi 5 rysyng azeyn *from deþ to lyf*, ib. viii 11 *arcred up from deþ to lyfe* (twice), ib. 17 *ȝif it is so þat we suffreþ*, ib. xiii 1 *noȝt to poweres þat beþ hyȝere þan heo*, 1 Cor. vii 31 *wipouten bysȝnesse of þe worlde*, ib. 39 heo is delyfered *from þe lure of hure housbonde*, ib. xi 19 *þer ben here-ȝes a-mong ȝow, þat þilke þat beþ apprefed men among ȝow*, ib. xiii 2 *melen hulles from hure places (l)*, Eph. iv 17 y sey ȝow, & *wytucane to ȝow*, Heb. ii. 3 þe whuche *hede*, ib. iii 6 *ȝef it so be þat we holden*.

If unable to find a suitable expression the translator of S' uses circumlocution, e.g.

1 Pet. i 3, v. 4 *immarcescibilem* = *þat may noȝt welewe*, Jam. iii 4 *dirigentis* = *he...þat is gouernour of þe schypp*, 1 Pet. ii 18 *dyacolis* = to *þilke þat beþ wykked*, Eph. vi 4 *in disciplina et correptione Domini* = in þe techynge of oure Lord & *answre hem of here defautes*, 2 Thes. iii 8 *gratis* = of no mannes *ȝefynge*, 1 Tim. v 23 *frequentis tuas infirmitates* = þi seknesses *þat þou art y-woned to haue*, 2 Tim. i 12 *depositum meum* = *þat tresour þat he haþ y-take me to kepe*.

§ 108. In 2—3 John and Jude the additions to the original Latin are as follows:—

2 John 4 *oure Fader*, 7 *He þat sayþ is noȝt a-knoweð Iesu Crist haue comen in flech*, 8 *ȝoure fulle mode*, 9 *his bar*, 10 *ȝe ȝeȝeþ nat wip hym*—12 y wolde not *wryte hem*—by lettere *ne by wordynge*—*ȝeke with ȝow*, 13 *ȝoure chere*.

3 John 1, 2 *dere frend*, 2 *my preyere*, 5 *My dere frend, oure breþeren*, 6 *holy church*, 11 *My dere broþer*, 12 of *alle goode men*...we bere wytnesse of hym, 14 *Pees be—oure frendes*.

Jude 3 stryue *ayeyn synne*, 4 *deceyuable men*—þe grace of oure Lord *Jesu Crist & gaf hem vnto leccherye*, 5 *oure Lord Jesu*, 6 his princehed & his comaundementes, 8 *God here Lord* (dominationem), *his*, 12 þese it beþ *pat*...beþ defouled—vnfruitful...*pat no fruyt bereþ*—twyfe deede þei ben, 14 *his þousandis*, 15 *alle yuel—harde wordes*, 17 *my breþeren* (charissimi), 19 *Holy Gost*, 20 *My dere breþeren—house...& grounde you*.

Of all these additions only 2 John 12 and Jude 6, 12, 20 can be looked upon as alternative readings, the others are more or less needless interpolations belonging to class (3).

§ 109. The text of the Acts is corrupted by an endless number of glosses and alternative readings, whereas the expletives and intercalated matter generally is far less frequent than in S¹ and S². In the first chapter there are for instance seven alternative readings, viz. i 2, 4, 4, 7, 8, 18, 25, three glosses i 13, 17, 18, but only the following expletives:—i 8 fro *abouen vnto þowe*, 11 *saide vnto hem—righte as þhe saue hym ascende*, 13 *þer cynacle*, 15 *þat was þer*, 16 *þhe men ande my breþer*, 21 *oure Lord*, 24 *schewe vs*. In the second chapter there are thirteen alternative readings, six glosses, and expletives as follows:—ii 5 wore *þat tyme*, 6 *grete multitude*, 7 *speken vpon þis wise*, 17, 25, 34 *oure Lord*, 24 *þat helle*, 29 *þhe men*, 30 *wiste wel*—*trewe oþe*, 34 *Oure Lord*, 37 *Leue men*, 41 *wonnen vnto God*, 44 *þer þinge*.

Like S¹ the Acts generally render 'ecclesia' by *holy chirche*, e.g. v 11, viii 1, 3, ix 31, xii 1, 5, xiv 26, xv 41. Cf. further *saynte Peter* ix 39, *saynte John* x 37.

The following may give some further idea of the interpolations in the Acts:—

Acts iii 15 *raysed fro deþe vnto life*, ib. 26 *turne hym from þo way of his wikkednes*, iv 7 *ymyddes hem alle*, v 15 *laide hem...in þo feldes*, vi 5 *trewe in þo faieþe*, viii 15 *hem þat wore turned*, ib. 18 *gifen vnto hem*, ib. 22 *wikted poghte*, ib. 24 *alle þise*, ix 18 *elyme* as hit wore þo skales of a *fische*, xii 18 *þo knyghtes þat hym keppeþ*, xiii 12 *trowed in God*, ib. 20 *domes-men to reule hem*, ib. 21 *a kenge to be þer gouernoure*.

§ 110. Matthew agrees with the Acts in having a fair amount of extraneous matter introduced into the text, though owing to the simplicity of the language there was less scope for the zealous pen of the commentator or scribe. They managed, however, to insert five

alternative readings, viz. i 18, 23, ii 13, iii 1, 3, 15; eight glosses, i 25, ii 6, 22, 23, iii 9, iv 25, v 24, 38, and a fair number of expletives, as can be seen from the instances in the first and second chapters:—

i 17 *beþ* fourtene, 18 in *hire* wombe, 20 *þenkynges...for-to leue his wyf—oure* Lord, 22 *seyenge on þis wyse*, 23 *hire*—God is with us, 24 *his* sleep, 25 *Marye* his wyfe.

ii 3 in *herte*, 9 *þese þre kynges*—þe kyng *Heroud*—wente *þer weye*, 13 *his* sleep, 14 *þan Joseph* rysynge, 16 sende *in-to Betlem*—*þat were* of two year, 18 *þei* were noȝt *quic*, 19 *oure* Lord, 21 & *Joseph* roos, 22 & *Joseph* was amonestyd in *his* sleep *by an aungel* how he schulde.

§ 111. In respect of additions our text compares unfavourably with the Wycliffite Versions, which strictly adhere to the Latin, the Earlier Version slavishly, the Later with more deference to the English idiom. The EV has certainly a number of alternative readings but they are as a rule carefully distinguished from the text¹.

§ 112. The text has further been vitiated by a number of omissions for which not only the translator may have been answerable but also, and probably to a large extent, each subsequent scribe, e.g.

Jam. i 5 et dabitur ei, 23 vultum nativitatis suæ=hymselfen, ii 16 illis, Ite in pace, iv 1 militant (=beþ), 1 Cor. i 11 de vobis fratres mei, ab eis qui sunt Chloes, Acts i 12 vocatur...sabbati habens iter, ii 29 audenter, iii 2 bajulabatur.

For further examples see the notes.

§ 113. Under the heading of omission may be counted the predilection shown by the translator of S¹ for rendering two synonymous or nearly synonymous expressions by one alone, e.g.

1 Pet. ii 8 lapis...et petra a *ston*, ib. 19 sustinet...patiens *suffrey*, 2 Pet. iii 7 repositi sunt...reservati *y-kept*, Jam. i 17 datum...donum *ȝeft*, Eph. iv 16 compactum et connexum *y-knyt to-geder*, Phil. iv 1 charissimi et desideratissimi *dereste*, Heb. viii 11 docebit...dicens *shal...seye*, ib. 13 antiquatur et senescit *wareþ old*, ib. xiii 5 deseram neque derelinquam *Y nul...lefe*, Titus iii 9 contentiones et pugnas *stryfes*.

§ 114. Our version is marred by a considerable number of *mistranslations* which in some cases are clearly due to the ignorance or carelessness of the respective translators, in others again may possibly result from corruptions or differences of readings in the Latin text.

¹ Wycl. Bible, i xvi ff.

§ 115. The translator of the Acts is the greatest sinner in this respect. He renders 'Sosipater Pyrrhi' as *Sosy þo fadire of Pirry* xx 4, queen 'Bernice' or 'Berouice' has been transformed into *men of Baronye* xxv 13, 23, xxvi 30, from the phrase 'venimus contra Chium' he coins the place-name *Contrachye* xx 15. His knowledge of classical mythology must have been somewhat scanty for 'whatte man es þat,' he says, 'þat knowes noghte þo cytes of Ephesie worshippur of þo grete Diane, ande of *Jouys hire childe*!' the Latin being... 'cultricem esse magnæ Dianæ, Jovisque prolis' xix 35.

Again, 'Blastus the king's chamberlain' appears as *Persuasoblasto*, the Latin having 'et persuaso Blasto, qui erat super cubiculum regis' xii 20, and to Philippi he furnishes a second name 'Phillyppis, þo whiche es þe firste of þo contree of Macedonye, þo cyte of *Coleyne*' (Vulg. xvi 12 Philippos, quæ est prima partis Macedoniæ civitas, colonia). For further instances of these absurd renderings see ii 3, v 16, xii 20, xvii 17, xxiii 32, xxviii 11.

§ 116. 2—3 John and Jude are not without their share of mis-translations, not a very surprising fact if we consider that they were in all likelihood rendered by the translator of the Acts. In 2 John 12, for instance, 'per chartam et atramentum' is translated *by lettere*, in the following verse 'filii sororis tuæ electæ' by *þoure chosen þi suster douzter*! In 3 John 13 'per atramentum et calamus' is rendered *with lettere*, in Jude 1 'dilectis' by *chose*, which, however, may be a misreading (delectis), in verse 6 'angelos' by *aungel*, in 7 'finitimæ civitates' is given as *þe cytes of Fynytyms* like 'civitas, colonia' by 'þo cyte of Coleyne' in Acts xvi 12.

§ 117. The translator of S¹ occasionally goes wrong, but he commits no such blatant errors as those recorded in the Acts, e.g.

1 Pet. i 11 scrutantes in quod vel quale tempus significaret in eis Spiritus Christi *þat telleþ as þe Spiryt of Crist hap y-sygnifyed to hem þis tyme*, v 9 eandem passionem...vestræ fraternitati fieri *þat he dop in þe same wyse to þoure broþerhede*, 2 Pet. ii 22 reversus ad suum vomitum, *hap y-turned...azeyn forto caste*, 1 John iii 4 Omnis qui facit peccatum, et iniquitatem facit; et peccatum est iniquitas *And everiche man þat dop synne & wykkednesse: he is boþe synne & wykkednesse*, Eph. iv 8 captivam duxit captivitatem *þrowþ away wrecchednesse*, Heb. ii 9 ut gratia Dei... gustaret mortem *þat þe gruce of God...schulde taste þe deþ*.

¹ Cf. note p. 234.

§ 118. On a faulty original or differences of readings the following instances may depend:—

1 Pet. ii 24 *Sanati estis we beþy-heled*, iii 22 *efficeremur ȝe weren y-mad*, 1 John ii 27 *docuit ich haue y-taucht*, Rom. vii 4 *fructificemus ȝe schulden make fruyt*, ib. 5 *fructificarent we schulden make ousre fruyt*, Acts ii 28 *lætatum maked brode* v 14 *credentium of hem þat preȝde*, v 21 *adueniens...* *princeps whanne þo prince harde þis*, vii 2 *moraretur he schulde dye*, xvii 4 *crediderunt toȝed*, xxvi 23 *passibilis possibul*.

The translators sometimes err on the side of too great literalness whereby the sense of the passage is spoilt, this being especially the case in the Acts:—

xxvii 3 *Humane autem tractans Julius Paulum and Julȝe trefled Poule manly* LV and *Julius trefȝde curteisly Poul*, xxviii 1 *Barbari... præstabant...humanitatem nobis þo barbarise schewod...manhede unto vs* LV the hethene men diden to vs...*curtesie*, i 3 *per dies quadraginta bi forty days* LV om. *bi*.

§ 119. Generally speaking the translation of S¹ is of far greater merit than the remaining parts of our text. From the Prologue (pp. 4. 27, 8. 2 ff.) it can be inferred that the translator of S¹—the brother superior—was a man of some learning, and he certainly renders the Latin with clearness and idiomatic ease. In this respect his translation may be said to rank with the Later Wycliffite Version and consequently much higher than the verbal almost gloss-like rendering of the Earlier. The following instances taken at random may exemplify this statement:—

HEBREWS IX.

S ¹	EV	LV
19 For whanne þat eferich comaundement of þe lawe was y-rad of Moyses to al þe pepel, he toke gotes blod & calves blod, wiþ water & red wolle & ysope & spreynde þo bok & al þe pepel, & sayde, 20 Þis is þe blod of þe testament þat God hap y-send to ȝow.	19 Forsoth ech maundement of the lawe radd of Moyses to al the peple, he takynge the blood of calves, and of buckis of geet, with watir, and reed wolle, and ysope, spreynge and the ilke book and al the peple, seyinge, 20 This is the blood of the testament, that God comaundide to ȝou.	19 For whanne ech maundement of the lawe was red of Moises to al the puple, he took the blood of calves, and of buckis of geet, with watir, and reed wolle, and ysope, and bi-spreynde bothe thilke book and al the puple, and seide, 20 This is the blood of the testament, that God comaundide to ȝou.

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JAMES III.

1 And my bretheren,
ne wylne je noyt to ben
y-mad many maystres,
wytynge þat je takeþ þe
grettere dom. 2 For we
offendeþ in many þinges
euerychone. & who þat
offendiþ in non word, he
is a parfyt man, & he
may wip a brydul leden
al þe body aboute. 3 For
we putte brydeles in-to
horsen moupes to maken
hem assente to oure, and
we bereþ aboute al hure
body. 4 And grete
schyppes þat beþ y-
meued wip grete wyndes,
þei beþ y-turned aboute
wip a lytul gouernynge,
whydur þat he wole
þat is gouernour of þe
schypp.

1 My britheren, nyle
je be maad many may-
stres, witynge for je
taken the more doom. 2
Sotheli alle we offen-
den in many thingis.
If ony man offendith
not in word, this is a
parfyt man; forsothe
he mai with a bridel
lede aboute al the body.
3 Forsothe if we putten
to horsis bridles in-to
mouthis, for to consente
to vs, and we leren
ther with aboute al the
body of hem. 4 And
lo! shippes whan thei
ben grete, and ben dry-
uen of stronge wijn-
dis, sotheli thei ben
born aboute of a litel
gouernaile, where the
bire of a man dressinge
shal wole.

1 Mi britheren, nyle
je be maad many ma-
stres, witynge that je
taken the more doom. 2
For alle we offenden
in many thingis. If
ony man offendith not
in word, this is a perfyt
man; for also he may
lede aboute al the bodi
with a bridil. 3 For if
we putten bridlis into
horsis mouthis, for to
consente to vs, and we
leden aboute al the bodi
of hem. 4 And lo!
schippis, whanne thei
ben grete, and ben dry-
uen of stronge wyndis,
jit thei ben borun about
of a litil gouernaile,
where the meuyng of
the gouernour wole.

Noteworthy are the 3rd and 4th verses above of the Early Version, which are scarcely intelligible.

1 CORINTHIANS XIII.

Sⁱ

EV

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1 3ef þat y speke wip
mennes tunges oper wip
aungeles tunges, & y ne
hafe noyt charyte, y am
y-mad as bras þat sou-
nep, oper a cymbal þat
sounep. 2 & 3ef y haue
eueriche prophecie, and
knowe alle pryuetes,
& jif y haue euery cun-
nyngo & euery feip, so
þat y mowe mesen hilles
from hure places, jif y
ne hafe no charite, y ne
am noyt. 3 And jif y

1 If I speke with
tungis of men and aun-
gels, sothli I haue not
charite, I am maad as
bras sownynge, or a
symbaltynkyng. 2 And
if I schal haue prophe-
sie, and haue knowun
alle mysteries, and al
kunnyng *or science*,
and if I schal haue al
feith, so that I bere
ouere hillis *fro o place*
to another, forsoth if I
shal not haue charite,

1 If Y speke with
tungis of men and of
aungels, and Y haue not
charite, Y am maad as
bras sownynge, or a
cymbaltynkyng. 2 And
if Y haue prophecie, and
knowe alle mysteries,
and al kunnyng, and
if Y haue al feith, so
that Y meue hillis
from her place, and Y haue
not charite, Y am nouyt.
3 And if Y departe alle
my goodis in to the

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dele al my catel in-to I am noȝt. 3 And if I metis of pore men, and
 pore mennes lyfode, & schal departe alle my yf Y bitake my bodi,
 jese my body to brenne, goodis into metis of so that Y brenne, and
 & y ne haue no charite, pore men, and if I schal if Y haue not charite,
 it profyter me no ping. bytake my body, so that it profitith to me no
 I brenne, forsothe if I thing.
 schal not haue charite,
 it profitith to me no
 thing.

§ 120. For 2—3 John, Jude, the Acts and Matthew we cannot claim a very distinguished scholar as translator. To judge from his many and often ludicrous mistranslations, misunderstandings and other inaccuracies, he was evidently remarkable for zeal rather than knowledge (see §§ 108—116). In spite of all its faults, however, his translation is a far more readable production than the Earlier Wycliffite Version, though it cannot like S' be said to attain the standard of Purvey's more polished and idiomatic revision. The following passages may serve as examples:—

C.

Acts v.

EV

6 Thanne ȝonge men ros vppe,
 ande bare hym away ande biried
 hym. 7 Efterworde, as hit were po
 space of pre houres, hise wife enterd
 inne, ande wiste not what was done.
 8 Ande soȝely Peter ansucred vnto
 hire, Say me, ȝow womman, solde
 ȝhe ȝo felde of ȝat price? And sche
 saide, ȝhe, of ȝat price. 9 Ande
 soȝely Peter saide vnto hire, Wharto
 ȝoghte ȝhe hit acordande to ȝowe
 forto tempte ȝo Holygoste of God?
 Loȝ, ȝo fete of hem ȝat biried ȝine
 howsebande at ȝo dore, ande schal
 bere forȝe ȝe.

6 Forsoth ȝonge men rysinge
 mouedyn hym away, and beryngo
 out birieden. 7 Forsothe ther was
 maad as the space of thre houris,
 and the wyf of him not knowynge
 that thing that was don, entride yn.
 8 Forsothe Petre answeride to hir,
 Womman, seye to me, if ȝe solden
 the feeld for so moche? And she
 seide, ȝhe, so moche. 9 Forsoth
 Petre seide to hir, What sothli cam
 togidere to ȝou, or acordide, for to
 tempte the spirit of the Lord? Lo!
 the fet of hem that han biried
 thin howsebonde at the dore, and thei
 schulen bere thee out.

xvii 21.

Ande ȝo men of Athenys & oȝer
 comelynges ȝat dwelled ȝer, gaue
 ȝer entente vnto noȝhte elles bot
 forto say or forto here summe newe
 piȝe.

Sothli alle men of Athenis and
 comelyngis, herborid men, ȝauen tent
 to noon othir thing, no but ethir
 for to seye, ethir for to heere, any
 thing of newe.

INTRODUCTION

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XIX 1.

Ande hit bifelle, whanne Apollo was at Corynthy, that Poule had gon þo ouer contrees, ande kome vnto Ephesum; ande he fonde summe of þo disciples.

Forsoth it is don, whanne Apollo was at Corinthe, that the hīer partis gon, Poul cam to Ephesi, and fond summe of disciples.

XXVI 28, 29.

Ande þo kenge Agrippa saide vnto Poule, In lytel þou makes a skille þat I am Cristen. Ande Poule anide, I ȝerne bifore God in lytel and in myche, noghte onely þe, bot also alle þat heren me todaye, forto be made suche as I am, outetaken þise bondes.

Sothli Agrippa seide to Poul, In litil thing thou counclist me for to be maad a cristen man. And Poul, I desyre anentis God, and in litil and in greet, not oonly thes, but and alle thes that heeren to day, for to be maad suche what manere and I am, out takun thes bondia.

§ 121. Remarkable are some slight traces of alliteration which occur in the Acts and more especially in the Catholic Epistles of MS. D.

Acts ii 30 et sciret *ande wiste wele*, ib. 24 teneri illum ab eo *pat helle hym schulde holde*, xiii 7 prudente *wure... & wys*, xx 31 vigilate *bes ware ande waker*, ib. 34 scitis *þe wote wele*, xxiii 20 certius inquisituri sint *þei wolde wyte more wyterly*.

Jam. iv 8 appropinquato *neyȝep ny*, ib. 10 Humiliamini *make ȝow meke*, v 5 Epulati estis *Fut fedde ȝee bep*, ib. 8 appropinquavit *shal come ny nyȝte*, 2 Pet. ii 17 caligo tenebrarum *dymnes of derkenes*.

1 Pet. i 18 corruptibilibus *pat soone wele ruste & rote*, ib. paternæ of *ȝoure formere fadres*, iii 8 misericordes, modesti, humiles *merciful, mylde & meke*, v 2 turpis lucris *wordly wyngnyge*, 2 Pet. ii 20 refugientes coinquinationes *felep þe fylynges*, 1 John ii 2 treve troupe, iii 19 mudebimus *make meke*, 2 Pet. ii 10 audaces *bolde þei be*.

§ 122. In Matthew, owing to the straightforward simplicity of the language, there is not much difference between our text and the Wycliffite Versions:—

MATTHEW II.

S^t

1 Herfore whan Iesus was bore in Bethlem of þe Iewery in þe dayes of kyng Heroude, loo, þe kynges come fro þe est to Ierusalem, 2 seyenge, Where is he þat is bore þe kyng of Iewys? soþly we sawe a sterre of hym in þe est, & we come to wurschupe hym.

EV

Therefore when Jhesus was born in Bethlem of Juda, in the days of kyng Herode, loo! kyngis *or wiȝs men* camen fro the east to Jerusalem, 2 sayinge, Wher is he, that is borun kyng of Jewis? forsothe we han seyn his sterre in the este, and we comen for to wirshipe hym.

Soply he Ion had clopinge of þe heer of camels, & a gyrdil of a skyn aboute his lendes; soply his mete was hony-sokkes & hony of þe wode. Ðan wente out to hym Ierusalem, & al þe Iewry, & al þe cuntrey aboute Iordane; & þei were baptyzed of hym in Iordan, schryuyng here synnya.

And this Joon hadde clothing of camels heeris, and a girdil of skynne aboute his leendis; and his mete was hony-soukis, and hony of the wode. Thanne Jerusalem wente out to hym, and al Judee, and al the cuntre aboute Jordan; and thei weren waischun of hym in Jordan, and knowlechiden her synnes.

§ 123. *Summary.* The collection of Biblical books printed in this volume is orthodox in origin (pp. xix, xxiv). It falls into two parts. The first, including the Prologue, Peter, James, 1 John and the Pauline Epistles (= S'), has come down to us in a dialect with chiefly South-Western characteristics (§ 92); there is reason to believe that it was translated by a man belonging to Kent or the South-Eastern counties (§ 92 p. xvii), and that it formed the original collection.

The second part comprises additions made from a Midland version, which seems to have originated in the North or the North-East Midlands (§ 91 p. xiv). Of this version the Catholic Epistles, the Acts and the first six chapters of St Matthew have come down to us, mostly in southernised transcripts, the Acts fortunately also in a dialect closer to the original (§ 91). They appear to be the work of one translator (§§ 97, 98). 2—3 John, Jude, the Acts and Matthew were borrowed for the monk's collection of Biblical books.

In respect of accuracy of translation our text is inferior to the so-called Wycliffite Versions (§§ 106—118); with regard to clearness of expression and idiomatic use of English both surpass the Earlier Version, our Southern text (S') in this respect being quite on an equality with the Later Version (§§ 119, 120).

PROLOGUE

¹ God¹ made mankynde² astur his owne ymage & lyk-
nesse, & put hym in paradys þat was a lond of blysse, &
3ef³ hym þat lond to haue y-woned þer-ynne euer more
& neuer to han be ded, so þat he were buxom to hym & dyde
what he bede hym and kepte trewliche⁴ his heste as he was
y-holde by pure kynde. ² For man ne⁵ hadde no þing of hym-
self, bote al þinge þat he hadde it was of Goddis zefynge,
boþe his owne beyng & his wonynge; ³ and al þynge þat hym
neded God graunteded hym, & forbede hym no þing, but
þat he ne schulde noȝt eten of a tre þat was a-myddes⁶ 10
paradys, þat was y-cleped⁷ a tre of knowynge boþe good &
yuel. ⁴ For God byhyzte hym in certeyn, þat what day he
ete of þis tre he schulde be deed; ⁵ & of alle þe oþer trees
of paradys God zef hym leue to ete. And for man ne schulde
not ben alone in þis blysse, he made of man a womman, to 15
ben his helpe, & to ben parsener of þis blysse, & seyde he[o]⁸
schulde ben his wyf. ¹ God made also þe kynde angelis, &
putte hem in þe blisse of heuene. ¹ & a-mong hem he made
on, more wys, bryȝtere, & fayrere, & more of myȝt þan his
felowes weren, & clep hym Lucyfer (þat is⁹ to seye, a berere 20
of lyȝt)¹⁰. Bot whan þis Lucyfer was maad in al⁹ þis nobeleye
& in blisse, he byheld hym-self so fayr, so myȝty, & so wys,

¹ The names *Maria*, *Jesus*, *Johannes* stand at the head of the MSS; fol.
1 S. P. ² yn nearly obliterated, S. ³ 3af P. ⁴ trewlich. on
erasure, in darker ink, S. ⁵ was follows, crossed out in red ink, P.
⁶ illegible, P. ⁷ eped illegible, P. ⁸ she with sh on erasure, S. þat she P.
⁹ om. P. ¹⁰ the gloss added at the bottom of the page, P.

& ne þoʒte not how his God had y-maad hym so of noʒt, to ben in al þat blisse¹ in þe degre of² a seruaunt, to wor-schypen his God as a trewe seruaunt schulde;³ & of his fayrnesse he fel in-to a pryde,⁴ & sayde in his þouʒt, Y wole sette my sege in þe norþ, & y⁵ wole⁶ be lyche hym þat is heyjest in heuene. & many⁷ algeles þat weren in heuene assenteden to þis þouʒt of pryde þat Lucyfer had conceyued. & þo⁸ God schewed hym what he was, and by whom he was y-maad of noʒt, & þo Lucyfer knew hym-self & knew his 10 trespas þat he⁹ hadde y-don a-ʒeyn his God, he fel a-down fro þis blisse of heuene in-to þe deppeste¹⁰ sorowe & peyne of helle, þat was a dispeyr of forʒeuenesse of his synne þat he hadde y-don aʒeyns his God. & alle pilke angelis þat assenteden to hym fellyn down fro þe blisse of heuene in-to 15 þe peynes of helle. Bote noʒt alle ylyche¹¹ depe¹² for pilke þat weren heyjest in blysse, aftur þe doynge of hure trespas, þei weren deppest in peyne. For al hure wysdom, hure myʒt, & hure bryʒtnesse, þat encrested hure blisse, aftur þei hadden y-synned, encrested hure peyne: & þe grettest peyne 20 þat þei hadden was dispeyr of forʒeuenesse of hure synne. For whan þei knewen how God hadde y-maad hem of noʒt, in so parfyt kynde as þei weren y-maad, & y-putte hem in blisse to hauen eueremore y-dwelled þerynne, & þei of hure owne þouʒtes vnkyndeliche forsoken¹³ hure God, & wor-schupeden anoþer as god þat God hade y-maad of¹⁴ noʒt, þei 25 fellen in-to sorowe for þis trespas, & þouʒten hure trespas so gret þat hem þoʒte God ne myʒte not forʒeuen hem hure trespas. & so þei fellen in-to dispeyr of forʒeuenesse, & þat¹⁵ dispeyr is þe depe pitt of helle, in þe whuche lyþ Lucyfer & 30 many oþere of his felawes þat fellen wiþ hym from heuene. And þo Lucyfer was y-falle from blisse in-to peyne, he had enuye to mankynde þat wonyed in paradys, & þoʒte he wolde make man lese þe blysse of paradys, as he¹⁶ for his pryde had y-lost þe blysse of heuene. And so he made hym- 35 self in þe lyknesse of an edder, & come to þe womman þat was

¹ fol. 1^b S. ² fol. 1^b P. ³ om. P. ⁴ changed to *wolde* by a later hand, S. ⁵ *wole* P. ⁶ followed by *pet of helle*, crossed out. P. ⁷ a *lyche* P
⁸ fol. 2 S. ⁹ fol. 2 P. ¹⁰ added above the line, P.

more frele, more unkunnyng þan was man, and axed hure why God had forþoden hem þat þei ne schulde noȝt ete of alle þe tren þat weren in paradys. & þe womman answered, & seyde, ¹We eteþ of þe tren þat beþ in paradys, bote of þe tre þat is a-myddre paradys we ne eteþ noȝt, lest we dyen.⁵ þo seyde þe serpent, ²Nay, dye schul ȝe noȝt, for God wot wel þat what day ȝe eten þer-of, ȝoure yen schulen ben opened, & ȝe schulen ben as goddis, knowynge boþe good & yuel.³ & þo þe womman seyþ þat it was a good tre to eten of, &⁴ fayr in seynge & lykyng to þe syȝt.⁴ & heo ete ¹⁰þer-of, & ȝaf hure housbonde þer-of; & he ete þer-of alȝa. & þo hure yen were opened & þei seyen hem-self naked;⁵ & for schame þei maden hem breches⁶ of leues to huyden⁷ wiþ hure membres; & þei wenten⁸ to huyden hem in paradys from þe syȝt of God.⁹ & þo God clep Adam & axed hym ¹⁵where he was; & Adam seyde, ¹⁰Lord, for þat y was naked y hudde me from þi syȝt.¹¹ & God seyde to hym, 'Who schewed þe þat þou were naked? bote for þou ete of þe tre þat y forþedde þe þat þou ne schuldest ete þer-of.' & þo seyde Adam, 'þe womman þat þou ȝese me to my felaw ȝef¹² me ²⁰of þe tre, & y¹³ ete þer-of.' And God seyde to þe womman, 'Why duest þou þus?' & heo¹⁴ seyde, 'þe edder byȝyled me, & y ete þer-of.' & God seyde to þe serpent, 'For þou hast y-do þus, þou art a-cursed a-mong alle þe beestes of þe erþe.' & God seyde to þe womman, 'Y¹⁵ wole multiþye þi ²⁵greuauunces & þi¹⁶ conceyfynge, & in sorow þou schalt¹⁷ bryng forþ chyldren, & vnder mannes power þou schalt ben, & he schal be þi lord.' & God seyde to Adam, 'For þou herde þi wyf & ete of þe tre þat y forþed¹⁸ þe, acursed be þe erþe in þi werk: ³⁰in traueyle þou schalt eten of þe erþe alle þe dayes of þi lyf. ³⁵Breres & þornes þe erþe schal bryng þe forþ, and þou schalt eten herbes of þe erþe. In swot þou schalt ete þi bred, forþo þou come aȝeyn in-to þe lond þat þou art y-take out of: for poudre þou art, & in-to¹⁹ poudre þou schalt be turned a-ȝeyn.' ⁴⁰þo God cloþed Adam and²⁰ Eue in cloþinge of ⁴⁵35

¹ & a P. ² fol. 2^a P. ³ heden hem P. ⁴ fol. 2^b S. ⁵ ȝaf P.
⁶ om. P. ⁷ ȝe P. ⁸ ben & he schal be þi lord follows, crossed out, P.
⁹ forþad P. ¹⁰ þe follows, P. ¹¹ fol. 3 P.

beestes skynnes, & seyde, ¹Lo, Adam is y-maad as on of us,
 knowynge boþe good & yuel: and þerfore loke ȝe now
 lest he take of þe tre of lyf & ete & lyue euere more.
 & þo God putt hym out of þe blisse of paradys to worchen in
 5 þe erþe, & sette² to-fore paradys Cherubyn wiþ a brennenge
 swerd in his hond to kepe þe tre of lyf. & þo Adam knew
 his wyf, & heo³ conceyued and brouȝte forþ a chyld þat þei
 clepen⁴ Caym. And aftur hym he brouȝte forþ an oþer⁵
 chyld, & hym þei clepen⁶ Abel: & so in proces of tyme þer
 10 comen of Adam & of his wyf muche⁷ pupel in þe worlde.
 Bote þei drowen to wykkednesse, & leueden goodnesse. &
 God, seyng⁸ þat man had drawen⁹ hym to wykkednesse in þe
 lond of blisse, & also in þe worlde þat was a lond of traunyle
 & of peyne, seyde hym a-þouȝt þat he had y-mad man. &
 15 for hure synne he þouȝte to take vengauce on hem¹⁰, &
 maken an ende of mankynde. & so he sende a gret flod, &
 dreynte þe worlde & alle þe men þat weren in þe worlde, save
 Noe & his wyf & his þre sones & hure wyfes, þat weren safed
 in Noes schyp þat God bede¹¹ hym maken er þan þe flod
 20 come. & þo God seyð þe frelenesse of man, he by-hyste¹² þat
 he ne wolde noȝt take such vengauce no more on man by
 flodes of watir; & in tokene of pees by-twene hym & man,
 he putte his reyn-bowe in þe cloudes of heuene, & þe streng
 toward þe erþe in tokene of pees bytween hym & man. For
 25 by-fore þat¹³ flod was þer neuere reynbowe y-seyðe.

"Seþþe euerych man" is y-holde by Cristis lawe of
 charite to louen his broþer as hym-selfe, ȝe, þat han of Godes
 grace more knowynge þan we han þat beþ lewed & vn-
 kunnyng, beþ y-holde to techen us þinges þat beþ nedeful
 30 to þe hele of¹⁴ oure soules; þat is to seye, what þing is
 plesynge to God, & what displeseþ hym also. & y preye
 ȝow purcharite to techen us lewed men trewlyche þe soþe
 aftur oure axynge."

"Broþer, y knowe wel þat y am holde by Cristis lawe
 35 to parforme þyn axynge; bote napeles we beþ now so fer

¹ fol. 8 B. ² ȝhe P. ³ clepeden P. ⁴ noþer P. ⁵ moche P. ⁶ ng in
 paler ink on erasure, S. ⁷ seyde P. ⁸ y drawen P. ⁹ him P. ¹⁰ bad P.
¹¹ fol. 3^b P. ¹² lord follows, crossed out, P. ¹³ mam P. ¹⁴ fol. 8^b B.

y-fallen a-wey from Cristis lawe, þat jif¹ y wolde answers to þyn axynges y moste in cas vnderfonge þe deþ. & þou wost wel þat a man is y-holden to kepe² his lyf as longe as he may. & parawnter it is spedful to holden oure pes a whyle forto³ þat God foucheþ saf þat his wille be y-knowe: 5 for now þe worlde is ful of wykkednesse, & men han⁴ more desyr to lyfen in hure fleschlyche lustes in synne þan to plesen God in forsakyng synne. & y seye þis in certeyn, þat þe⁵ comune of þe worlde haþ forsaken God & his hestes & heryeþ false goddes. & þat is to al mankynde a gret matere 10 of sorowe: to sen þe grete loue þat God haþ y-schewed to mankynde, & to sen on owre syde how lytel we loueþ hym azeynward."

"[L]efe⁶ broþer, y trowe ful wel þat þe worlde lyfeþ in muche wykkednesse of synne. Bote y trowe þat many men, jef⁷ 15 þei knewen how þei myzten plesen hure God, þei ne wolde not spare for drede of no man, ne for loue nouþer, to don þing þat were to his plesynge. And y trowe þat oure God be so good & so merciful⁸, þat, jif we knowlechen to hym oure synnes, and forþynketh oure trespas, & ben in ful wille to 20 offenden hym no more, þan oure hope is þat he wole forjeuen us oure trespas jif we axen mercy. For so he seyde⁹ by Ezechyel þe prophete, & also by¹⁰ Dauyd in þe Sauter, & by Jeremyc also; & Crist seyde also, þat he ne wolde¹¹ noȝt a synful mannes deþ, bote þat he be turned from¹² his synne 25 and lyfe. And oure hope is þat euere more his grace is redy to hem þat axeþ his grace, & putteþ in hym al hure¹³ trust. And¹⁴ y trowe þat he wolde, þat men wysten how þei shulden plesen hym. For he sende his sone þat was his wysdom adown in-to þe world¹⁵, to techen mankynde how þei schulden 30 plesen his Fadur. Bote y trowe, for men weren to wordlyche, þei ne hadde¹⁶ no safer in his techynge; & y trowe ful wel þat for men han y-trust more in hure owne¹⁷ wysdom þan in

¹ om. P. ² to kepe in the margin, first corrector's hand, S. ³ tyl P.
⁴ fol. 4 P. ⁵ The rubric in S is an I. ⁶ fol. 4 S.
⁷ de nearly effaced, S. ⁸ be P. ⁹ de on erasure, S. ¹⁰ wele P. ¹¹ fro P.
¹² oure P. ¹³ fol. 4^b P. ¹⁴ word P. ¹⁵ hadde P. ¹⁶ In paler ink in the margin, S. ¹⁷ om. P.

Godes wysdom, þerfore God haþ y-let hem so longe y-worþe,
 þat we beþ þoro; hure wysdom y-fallen into synne: þat we
 mowen knowe wel þat mannes wysdom ne is bote folye.
 For y trowe þat verrey wysdom be to drede God, and verrey
 5 vnderstondynge to gon away from synne, & so seiþ Ioh.
 Bote he seiþ þat þis wysdom ne is noȝt y-founde in þe lond
 of men þat [l]yff[e]þ¹ softelyche. & y trowe þat [ʒ]if [w]e²
 turne to God in al oure herte, þanne he w[or]l³ be [y]-founde[n]⁴
 of us, as he seiþ by Ieremye his prophete. [And y]⁵ byleue
 10 wel þat for loue þat he haþ to m[an]kynde⁶ he wole brynge
 us out of þis myschef⁷ of synne, ȝif we desyreþ it wiþ ful herte
 & trewe. Ne we ne schuleþ not drede þe multitude of oure
 enemyes, ne hure myȝt, ne hure wysdom, ȝif oure God wole
 ben oure helpe: For he is myȝty wiþ-outen ende; his wysdom
 15 is endeles; his⁸ loue & his mercy is euermore redy to hem
 þat clepeþ hym to⁹ sokour in hure tribulacyoun. & so we
 oure-selfe beþ þe enchesoun of þe meschef þat we beþ y-fallen
 ynne. And ȝif he seiȝ¹⁰ us desyren helpe, he ne wolde noȝt
 faylen us at oure gret nede. & broþer, be þou syker þat þe
 20 k[n]owyngge þat þou hast of þe meschefes of þe worlde¹¹
 is onlyche of Godes grace & noȝt of þi desyryngge. & y rede
 þou¹² ne huyde it noȝt from ous, þat fayn wolden y-knowen¹³
 hem & amende oure lyfing¹⁴, lest þou be holden a false seruaunt
 to God in þe day of dome, for huydyngge of þi lordes tresour
 25 þat þou schuldest chaffare wiþ to encrese þi lordes tresoure.
 & who þat is false in lytel, who¹⁵ wole¹⁶ taken him¹⁷ þing þat is
 of grettere valew? & God, þat is a ryȝtful lorde, wole þrowen
 his vnprofytabel seruauntes in þe day of hure acountes in his
 derke presoun of helle, whan his profytabel seruauntes, þat
 30 han encresed þe goodes þat þei hadde to kepe, schulen ben

¹ y/y filled in by a later hand; the top of the l is still visible, S. lyueþ P. ² yf ye filled in by a later hand, S. ȝif we P. ³ wil in a later hand, S. wel P. ⁴ þe founden in the same late hand, S. y founden with y added later, P. ⁵ & (effaced) þat filled in by tl same late hand, S. and y P. ⁶ mkynde filled in, S. mankynde P. ⁷ fol. 4^b S. ⁸ fol. 5 P. ⁹ to his P. ¹⁰ seiþ P. ¹¹ word P. ¹² þat þu P. ¹³ it i known with the 2^d i added above the line, P. ¹⁴ ig on erasure, S. lyfse P. ¹⁵ crossed out in red ink, P. ¹⁶ wele he P. ¹⁷ inserted in a later hand, S. om. P.

& now we see how we are in danger, for how please
 of God's graces is to be kept, & now we see how
 in peril of death we are in danger of such graces & how almost
 for evermore from us. Thus, but now, you departe with
 us of this world, but shall departe with you here. & for we
 in this world are in danger of such graces, but he
 will be merciful to us, his graces to us, if he hope
 to us in his mercy: we see we shall not spare for
 cause of his death, as shall we a mercy to bringe us out of
 mischief of his death of our sinne. For in the 1st able testament
 the children of Israel putten hem-self in peril of death to bringe
 here before us of such mischiefes. Our Lord God
 also put hym-self in peril of death, & vnderfing the death, to
 bringe us out of his seruantes out of mischief of synne: 15
 & yet our Lord putte his soule for his seruantes, it is
 saydful that our brother putte his soule for his brethren: For
 that axeth he have of charite that Crist taught here on erthe,
 bothe in word & dede. & think how Crist sayd, that who
 loveth his father, his moder, his wyf, ower his owne lyf abouen
 hym be ne is not worthy to hym: & who that loveth his lyf in this
 worlde, he schal losyn his lyf. & sithen you seyst that ye pepel
 hath forsaken God & his bestes, and worschuped false goddes,
 it was solewe nedlyche that God is muche [v]n-worschuped:
 & thanne if you lovest God ower alle ower thinges, you
 must ben aboute to encreasen his worschupe in drawynge
 his brethren from synne, & techynging hem how they schulen please
 God in keepynge his bestes. & brother, y praye ye for ye
 loue that you schuldest haue to God & to his brethren, that you
 answere trewelyche to thinges that y wole axen ye to hele of
 my soule & of ower mennes soules that be lewedere than you
 art. & if you ne wylt not, oure hope is that God wole
 enformen ous by sum ower trewe seruauant of his; & we praye
 hym to deme ye ryght, bytwene ous & ye in the dredeful day
 of dome, bote if you trewelyche answere to oure axyngea." 35

¹ *offys* P. ² nearly effaced, S. ³ *ping* P. ⁴ fol. 5 S. ⁵ fol. 5^b P.
⁶ om. P. ⁷ *pe* P. ⁸ *pe* altered from *pat*, P. ⁹ on on erasure, S.
tworschedep P. ¹⁰ fol. 6 P. ¹¹ fol. 5^b S. ¹² om. P.

"Broþer, þou hast a-gast me sumwhat wiþ þyn argumentya.
 For þou; þou ne haſe noȝt y-ben a-mong clerkes at ſcole, þi
 ſkelis þat þou makeſt beþ y-founded in loue þat is a-boſe
 reſoun þat clerkes vſeþ in ſcole: & per-fore it is hard for me
 5 to aȝeynſtonde þyn¹ ſkelys & þyn axyngea. For þe argument
 of loue meuyd God to make þe worlde of noȝt, & man aſtur
 his owne lykneſſe, & to putten hym in paradys, to hauē
 y-woned þere in blyſſe euere wiþ-oute ende, ſo þat man
 wolde kepen h[is]² heſtes. & whan man had broken þe heſte
 10 of his God þorow þe temptacyoun of þe deſel, he was worþi
 by þe argument of reſoun to haſe y-loſt his cuntray euere
 wiþ-oute ende³ for ſo gret a trespas. Bote lofe made an
 argument for man, & put hym out of⁴ his cuntray vnder þe
 power of þe deſel, in þe worlde, to chaſten hym for his trespas,
 15 & aſturward to bryng hym⁵ out of þe deſeles þraldom in-to
 his owne cuntray. Aȝeyn þis was a ſtrong argument of lofe:
 & ſo God at⁶ þe⁷ tyme þat he ſau; man ben⁸ ful⁹ fer y-falle
 into þe deueles þraldom, he cheſ hym a pepel þat weren
 Israelis children, to techen hem how þei ſchulden comen
 20 aȝeyn to hure cuntray þat was hure kynde herytage, out of þe
 þraldom þat þei weren fallen in þorou; synne. Bote for as
 muche as man was þat tyme vnkunnyng, vmyȝty alſo¹⁰, & þe
 deſel was ſel & myȝty¹¹ þat hadde man in his þraldom, God
 tauȝte man a leſſoun to drede hym ouer alle oþere þinges &
 25 forſaken alle false goddeſ. & for þeſe children of Israel
 ſchulde parfytlyche knowen hure leſſoun, he ſuffred hem ben
 in gret þraldom vnder Pharao þat was kyng of Egypt. & þo
 þei cryeden to God þat he ſchulde brynge hem out of þraldom;
 & he for loue herde hure crienge, [&]¹² ſau; hure tribulacyoun,
 30 and ſende Moyses his ſerfaunt & Aaron his broþer to brynge
 hem out of Egypt toward hure owne cuntray. & for þei
 ſchulden knowe þat þer ne was no God bote he, he harded
 Pharaoes herte þat was kyng of Egypt, þat he ne wolde¹³ not
 delyferen his pepel out of his þraldom bote by myȝt &
 35 ſtrengþe. & ſo God dude wondres & merueylys in Egypt

¹ þe P. ² *hes* in the margin, 1st corrector, S. *his* P. ³ fol. 6^a P.
⁴ om. P. ⁵ fol. 6 S. ⁶ þat P. ⁷ yben P. ⁸ *also...myȝty* added
 at the bottom of the page. P. ⁹ in S. & P. ¹⁰ fol. 7 P.

by-fore Pharao, þat non oper god ne myzte do to schewen his myzt; & afterward he ladde hem out of Egypt by a wyldernesse, & bede¹ hem þei ne schulde noȝt dreden² hure enemyes: For he wolde fyzte for hem aȝeyn hure enemyes. & so Pharao was wroþ þat þe children of Israel were passed out of his seruyse, & toke his [h]oste³, & pursuede Godes pepel in-to desert to hafe y-brouȝt hem aȝeyn in-to Egypt. & þo God lad his puple ofer þe see wiþ-uten schyp, for he made hem a weye in þe see, & made þe watyr in boþe half of hem stonden upryȝt as walles: & þei passeden ofer drye. & 10 Pharao come after hem þe same weye, & was⁴ adreynt in þe see & al his ost wiþ hym."

"And þo he ladde hem in⁵ desert, & ȝaf hem a lawe by Moyses his scruaunt; & he wrote hym-selfe ten hestes of his lawe in twey tables of ston, in tokenyng þat his puples 15 hertes were þat tyme hard as stony. Þis lawe was a lawe of drede, to techen hem dreden hym ofer alle opere þinges; & he⁶ bede¹ hem kepen his lawe whan þei comen in-to hure cuntray þat he hade by-boten⁷ sumtyme, for he sonde hym a trewe serfaunt. & ȝef⁸ þei kepten his hestes, he byhyzte hem 20 þat alle hure enemyes on eserych syde schulden drede hem & be serfautes to hem. He bede¹ hem þat þei schulden not drede þe power of hure enemyes, for he hym-self wolde fyzte fore hem & ben chefenteyn of hure ost. & so God lade hem in-to þe lond of byhest. Þus þoroȝ an argument of loue God 25 almyȝty þoroȝ hys myzt delyferyd his pepel out of bodylyche þralkdom, & brouȝte hem in-to a plenteuous cuntray of alle þynge þat hem neded to hure bodylyche lyflode. And⁹ so nedilyche y þat am his serfaunt & þi broþer mot graunte þyn argument of loue, & parforme þyn axynges by my power: 30 For þi loue haþ ouercome my resoun. & þerfore axe nouþe¹⁰ what þou wylt."

"Broþer, y þanke ȝou of ȝoure goode wyll, and God contynue ȝou þerynne¹¹ & euecre ȝoure connynge to answe-

¹ *lad P.*

² *fol. 6^b S.*

³ *h erased before the o, S. hoste P.*

⁴ *he was P.*

⁵ *into P.*

⁶ *om. P.*

⁷ *fol. 7^b P.*

⁸ *fol. 7 S.*

⁹ *nowȝ P.*

¹⁰ *you therein repeated in the margin in a xvith century hand, S.*

to myn axynges. & seþþe 3e han of 3oure owne fre wyлле
y-tolde me of þis olde testament, how God brouȝte his pepel
out of þraldom, I pray 3ow þat 3e telle me what manere lawe
he 3ef¹ pepel to plesen hym by, & whom he ordeyned to
5 techen his pepel þe lawe, and wheþer þe pupel kepten his
lawe whylys þei weren in wyldernesse, oþer non duden. And
telle me also hou² longe þei lyfeden in wyldernesse er þan
he broȝte hem in-to þe lond þat he hadde byhoten hem."
"Suſter³, God lad his pupel bysydes þe hul⁴ of Synay þat
10 is in desert bytwene Egypt & hure owne contray, & þere he
made þe pepel dwellen⁵ bysydes þe hul. & he toke to hym
in-to þe hul Moyses, his ſeruaunt, and ſeyde þis⁶, 'þou ſchalt
ſeye to þe children of Iſrael, 3e 3ou-ſelfen han y-ſey what y'
ha[u]e⁷ do to men of Egypt, & how⁸ y haue bore 3ou up on
15 egles wynges, & y-take⁹ 3ou to my-ſelf; & 3ef 3e kepen myn
heſtes, 3e ſchullen ben my pupel of alle puplea.' þes¹¹
wordes¹² Moyses ſpak to þe pepel; & þei anſwerden þat þei¹³
wolden do alle þinges¹⁴ [þat God bad hem do]¹⁵. & God ſeyde,
3if þei wolden ben his¹⁶ pepel & kepen his¹⁶ heſtes, he wolde
20 ben hure God and brynge hem to hure contray: and¹⁷ þe
pupel aſſenteden. & ſeyden þat þei wolden. Bote þei beden
God þat he wolde ſpeke to hem by Moyses his ſerfaunt, what
were his wyлле, and þei wolden don alle þinge þat he¹⁸ bade
hem. For þei ſeyden, 3ef God ſpeke to hem, þei ne myzte
25 noȝt lyfe for þe dredfulnesse of his ſpeche wolde maken hem
dye. þo Moyses wroot hure lawe, as God had y-beden hym,
how þei ſchulden lyfen eferichone wiþ oþer; & 3if þei breken
þe¹⁹ lawe, he ordeyned domes to demen hem aftur þe²⁰
quante of hure trespas. God alſo hade y-choſen hym þe
30 kynrede of Leui to ben his ſerfauntes in þe tabernacle boþe
nyȝt & day: & of þat kynrede he chees hym Aaron & his

¹ 3af P. ² fol. 8 S. ³ underlined in P. ⁴ u changed into y
by a later hand, S. ⁵ to dwellen P. ⁶ to þis P. to erased in S.
⁷ on erasure, S. ⁸ have in the margin, 1st corrector, S. ⁹ in the margin,
with caret to mark insertion, S. ¹⁰ take P. ¹¹ e on erasure, S. þus P.
¹² wōrdes expunged; ōr looks as if inserted later, S. when in paler ink in
the margin, P. ¹³ in the margin, 1st corr. S. ¹⁴ s on erasure, S.
þinge P. ¹⁵ Thus in P. om. S. ¹⁶ is P. ¹⁷ fol. 7^o S.
¹⁸ in the margin, 1st corr. S. ¹⁹ fol. 8^b P. ²⁰ here P.

children to ben his prestes in þe tabernacle, to offren sacryfices to herynge¹ of hure God, & also for þe peples synne. & þuse children of Leni, & princypallyche þe prestes, weren ordeyned to teche þe pepel þe cerymonyes of Godes lawe; & whan Moyses had y-tauzt þe pepel þe domes of Godes lawe, God bede² hym come in-to þe hul aȝeyn to hym, & he wolde ȝefen hym two tables of ston & his lawe & his maundementes þat he schulde teche þe children of Israel. & Moyses wente up into þe hul, & was þere fourty dayes & fourty nyȝtys; & lerned Godes lawe; & lerned how he schulde make a tabernacle to heryen yanne hure God, and how þe prestes schulden ben a-rayed whan þei schulden do³ sacryfyce to hure God, and how⁴ þei schulden be[n]⁵ y-maad prestes; also what manere auter þei schulden don⁶ onne hure sacryfyce.”

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“And whan þe pepel seyȝ þat Moyses was longe⁶ in þe hul, þei comen to Aaron his broþer & seyden, ‘Ryse up, & make to ous goddus þat gon by-fore ous; for we ne weteþ noȝt what is byfalle to Moyses þat brouȝte us out of Egypt.’ Þo Aaron toke gold & þrew it in-to þe fuyr; & whan it was y-molten⁷, þei casten it in-to a forme & maden þer-offe þe lyknes of a calf. & þo þei seyden, ‘Þis is þi God, Israel, þat broȝte þe out of Egypt’; & heryed þis calf as fur hure God. Þo seyde God to Moyses, ‘Go doun, for þi peple haȝ y-synned, & beþ go from þe weye þat þou tauȝtest hem. For þei han y-maad hem a calf to hure god, & to hym þei don sacryfyce & seyen, Israel, þis beþ þi goddus þat broȝte þe⁸ out of Egypt. Suffre me þat y take vengauunce up-on hem in þis desert.’ Þo Moyses preyede to God þat he ne toke non⁹ suche veniaunce on his pepel, lest þe men of Egypt wolden seye þat he¹⁰ had y-lad hem in-to hulles to slen hem þere and distruye hem. & so God was y-pled by Moyses preyere; & Moyses wente adoun wiþ þe tables in his honde þat God had y-wryten in his ten hestes. & whan he seyȝ how þe pepel songen & maden inuche myrþe byfore þe calf of go[l]d¹¹, for wrappe he þrew þe¹² two tables out of his hond

¹ herynge P. ² bad P. ³ om. P. ⁴ fol. 8 S. ⁵ n effaced, S.
ben P. ⁶ fol. 9 P. ⁷ molten P. ⁸ no P. ⁹ god S. P. ¹⁰ fol. 8^b S.

& breke hem. & þo Moyses¹ bede² þat þilke þat weren on
 Godes half schulden ben y-ioyned to hym: & so³ children of
 Leuy comen⁴ to hym. & Moyses bede⁵ hem gurde⁶ hem wiþ
 hure swerdes, & gon þoroꝝ-out here breþeren, & slen alle
 5 þilke þat þei metten wiþ. & so þei duden, & slowen of hure
 breþeren ^{xxiii}⁷. & þo seyde Moyses, 'þe han halewed þoure
 honde to day in sleynge þoure breþeren.' And þo Moyses
 wente to God to preyen hym for his pepel: and preyed God,
 oþer þat he schulde forȝefen þe pepel hure trespas, oþer elles
 10 do hym out of þe book þat he had writen⁸ hym ynna. &
 God seyde, 'Who þat doþ synne, ych wole don hym oute of
 my boke; &⁹ in þe day of veniaunce ich wole visyte þis
 synne of my pepel'; & so God slowȝ many of his pepel for þei
 heryeden þis calf. þo God bed¹⁰ Moyses þat he schulde take
 15 þe pepel & leden hem to þe lond þat he had byhoten hem:
 & he seyde, 'Y nul noȝt goon¹¹ wiþ þe, for y se wel þat þis
 pepel is of an hard hed, lest y destruye hem in þe weye
 þyderward.' þo þe pupel made muche sorowe, & Moyses
 seyde to God, 'Lord, þou byddeest me þat y schulde leden
 20 hennes þi puple, & þou tellest me noȝt whom¹² þou wolt¹³
 sende wiþ me; & þou saydest þat þou knewe me by name, &
 þat ich had y-founde¹⁴ grace byfore þe: Lord, ȝif ich haue
 founde grace to-for þe, schewe me þi face, & byholde þi
 pepel.' & God seyde to Moyses, 'My¹⁵ face schal gon byfore
 25 þe, & ich wole ȝefe þe reste.' & þo seyde¹⁶ Moyses, 'ȝif þou
 þi-self ne wolt not gon by-foren ous, ne lede þou us not
 hennes. For how mowe we y-knowe þat we han yfounde
 grace byfore þe, bote ȝif þou walke wiþ ous in oure weye?'
 þo seyde God to Moyses, 'Ich wole don þat þou desyrest, For
 30 þou hast y-founde grace to-fore¹⁷ me.' þo¹⁸ seyde Moyses, 'ȝif
 ich haue yfounde grace by-fore [þe]¹⁹, schewe me þi blisse.'

¹ oys nearly effaced, S.² bad P.³ Followed by þe; fol. 9^b P.⁴ en nearly obliterated, S.⁵ gerde with e dotted out between r

and d, P.

⁶ 3000 in the margin in a modern hand, S; *Vulg.* Exod^{xxxii}.
 28 viginti tria millia.⁷ ywriten P.⁸ om. P.⁹ he nel followed

by nolde (crossed out in red) nat gon followed by om (struck out in red), P.

In S n in goon is added by a later hand.

¹⁰ whan P.¹¹ wost P.¹² founde P.¹³ fol. 10 P.¹⁴ fol. 9 S.¹⁵ byfore P.¹⁶ þo seyde

Moyses...byfore þe om. P. S has ȝif added above the line and me for þe.

& þo seyde God, 'þer' may no man y-se me & lyfen; bote þou schalt stonden up-on a ston, & when þat my blysse passeþ by þe, ich wole putte þe in þe hole of þe ston, & þere ich wole kepe þe forto þat ich passe forþ; & þere þou schalt y-sen þe hynder part of me, bote my face þou myzt nozt sen. & after-ward make þe twey stones lyche þe oþer þat beþ ybroken, and ich wole wryten in hem þat was y-wryten in þe oþer tables þat beþ y-broken.' & so Moyses dude, & wende up aȝeyn in-to þe hul, & was þere fourty dayes & fourty nyȝtes: & he ne ete no bred n[e]¹ dronk no watyr. & in þe stones he wrot wordes of þe forward þat was by-twene God & his pepel: & þese weren þe tables of testymouye of Goddes testament. & when he come doun to þe pepel, he tolde hem þe wordes þat God hade y-spoke to hym; bote þer come a lyzt oute of his² face in forme of tweyn hornes, þat þe pepel was a-gast to speke³ 15 wiþ hym, bote ȝef⁴ his face were y-wrye. Þo Moyses bad þe pepel brynge gold, & syluer⁵, & tymber, & oþer þinges þat⁶ weren nedful to makynge of þe tabernakel, þat þei schulden heryen ynne hure God; & also to maken þe arke of þe bond þat was bytwene God & man in þe whuche he lette⁷ legge þe⁸ 20 twey tables of his lawe. & so þe pepel ȝefen wyffullyche to þe makynge of þe tabernakel al þinge þat byhofed þer-to. & þilke þat God ȝef⁹ wytt to worchen, eferych man of hem wroȝte to make þe tabernakele aftur Moyses ordynaunce, & maken¹⁰ it complet¹¹. & when it was y-mad wiþ al his aparayl, 25 a cloud kefered þe tabernakēle wiþouten-forþ, & þe blysse of God fulled þe tabernakel wiþ-ynne-forþ. And when þe tabernakel was y-mefed, þe cloud mefed hym þer-wiþ; & when it stod stille, [þe cloude stod stille]¹² þer-wiþ & wryed it by daye; & a-nyzt a pyler of fuyr was abofe þe tabernakele. & 30 so þe chyldren of Israel myȝten by daye y-wyte where þe tabernakele were by syȝt of þe cloud, & by nyȝt by syȝt of þe

¹ þat P. ² no S. P. ³ fol. 10^b P. ⁴ Followed by him crossed out in red, P. ⁵ syluel (crossed out in red) precedes, P.
⁶ fol. 9^b S. ⁷ leet P. ⁸ ȝaf P. ⁹ maken has d inserted in a late hand after k (expunged), S. ¹⁰ com on erasure, S. ¹¹ P; omitted in S, but with a caret to mark omission and an erasure in the margin opposite.

fuyr. And onylche Aaron & his chyldren weren ordeyned to¹ ben prestes in þis tabernacle to don sacrifice to hure God; þe oþer children of Leuy serfeden in þe tabernacle to þe prestes, & kepten þe goodes þat weren in þe tabernacle. & when þe chyldren of Israel wolde remewen from on place to anoþer² place, þanne þe chyldren of Leuy mosten take a-doun þe tabernacle, & kepe þe partyes þer-of in hure warde. & whan þei weren goynge to-ward a place þat þei wolden abyden ate, þanne summe of þe children of Leuy schulde
 10 bere þe arke byforen³ hem forte⁴ þei comen to þat place, & þanne þei schulden reren up þe tabernacle aȝeyn. & þe children of Leuy schulden lygge in þe foure sydes of þe tabernacle to kepen it boþe by nyȝt & by day."

"Broþer, þe ten hestes of Goddes lawe þat he wrot in þe
 15 tables of ston y knowe sumwhat, y þanke God, bote y ne⁵ knowe noȝt þe domes of his lawe; & þerfore y prey þe er þan þou passe eny ferþere, telle me⁶ summe of his domes."

"Suster, þe grete dom of his lawe was⁷ þat such harm as a man dude to his broþer suche harm he schulde⁸ suffre hym-selfe:
 20 as ȝef he slow his broþer, he schulde ben y-slawe; ȝef he maymed his broþer, he schulde⁹ haue þe same maym; ȝef he brende his broþer, he schulde be brend in þe selfe wyse; ȝef a man forsake¹⁰ his God, oþer cursed his God, oþer made hym eny mawmete¹¹ in lyknesse of his God & worschuped¹² þat; he
 25 schulde be ded. Also, who þat cursed¹³ his fader oþer his moder schulde be ded; & who þat brekeþ þe halyday þat was y-cleped þe sabat schulde be ded; & who þat brekeþ spoushod, oþer man, oþer womman, schulde be ded; & who þat lye wiþ a beste, oþer man, or¹⁴ womman, schulde be ded;
 30 and who þat dude þe sunne of Sodomytes schulde be ded. Who þat stele his¹⁵ broþer & solde hym to oþer mysbylesed men in-to þraldom and seruyse schulde be ded; & who þat steleþ his broþeres catel, he schulde noȝt be ded, bote he¹⁶ schulde ȝelden his broþer his catel a-ȝeyn, oþer as muche

¹ fol. 11 P.² noþer P.³ fol. 10 B.⁴ tyt P.⁵ om. P.⁶ me me P.⁷ ȝhas. P.⁸ he schulde corrected from þei schulen, S.

þei schullen P.

⁹ schulden S. P.¹⁰ fol. 11^b P.¹¹ underlined in S.¹² worschuped P.¹³ curseþ P.¹⁴ oþer P.¹⁵ on erasure, S.¹⁶ fol. 10^b S.

per-fore, & a quantyte more ofer, as þe double, ofer treble, ofer
 foure syþe so myche. & ȝef he haue noȝt wher-of to make
 good for his trespas, he schal be sold. & ȝef on broþer bouȝte
 his broþer to ben his serfaunt & his þral, he schulde haue hym
 to serfaunt sixe ȝer, & þe sefeþe ȝer he schulde lete his broþer
 gon out of his seruyse in fredom ȝef he wolde. & ȝef his broþer
 lyked¹ wel his seruyse, & nolde noȝt departen from his broþer²
 þanne he schulde ben his seruauant for euere. But naþeles his
 broþer ne schulde nouȝt putten in-to gret þraldom³, but do by
 hym as by an huyrynge-man. & ȝef a man hade y-trespased
 aȝeyn þe lawe, men schulde don hym þe ryztfulnesse of þe
 lawe, & ne sparen him noȝt, were he pore ofer riche. &
 many ofer syche domes God ȝef⁴ to reulen ryztfullyche his
 pepel."

"Broþer, þou seydest þat God ȝef⁴ his pepel cerymonyes
 as wel as hestes & domes: y preye þe, telle me what manere
 cerymonyes he ordeyned."

"Suster, God bed his pepel þat þei schulde ben holy
 & clene for he hymselfe was holy & clene, & þerfore
 he forbed⁵ his pepel alle vnclene metes. Of fleschmetes
 he forbede⁶ hem alle þilke beestes þat hadden hure fet
 departed a two partyes ofer mo⁷, bote ȝef þei chewed hure
 code; & so swyn, & cattes, & houndes, & suche ofer bestes
 weren forboden as for vnclene bestes. Oxen⁸, hertes, schep,
 & get & suche þei⁹ schulden eten⁹, for þei weren clene bestes.
 Alle þilke bestes þat han hol fet weren forboden, as hors, &
 chameyles, for þei beþ vnclene¹⁰. Of fisches alle þilke þat ne
 hadde noȝt fynnes ne scales weren forboden, for þei weren
 vnclene; ofer fysches þei myȝten ete. Of bryddes þilke þat
 lyfeden by¹¹ rafeyn weren forboden, as gripes, and egles, &
 gledes & suche opere; & alle volatyles¹² þat wenten on foure
 fet weren¹³ vnclene & forboden. Also alle þilke bestes þat
 crepeþ on þe erþe weren forboden for hure vnclennesse. &
 who þat touched¹⁴ eny of þese vnclene bestes whan þei weren

¹ lyked P.

² inserted above the line in a later hand, S. om. P.

³ fol. 12 P.

⁴ ȝaf P.

⁵ forbad P.

⁶ fol. 11 S.

⁷ or on erasure, S.

⁸ other inserted above the line in a later hand, S.

⁹ -ten on erasure, S.

¹⁰ cl on erasure, S.

¹¹ lyfeden by added above the line, P.

¹² folatylles P.

¹³ fol. 12^b P.

¹⁴ toucheþ P.

[d]ede¹, he schulde be vnclene forte² efen; & þanne he schulde waschen his cloþes, & so he schulde be clensed. & what vessel³ touche suche careynes of vnclene bestes wiþ-ynne-forþ, oþer cloþes, oþer eny such oþer þing, it schal ben vnclene forte² efen; & afterward it schal be clensed with water, & þanne is⁴ it clene, bote þef it be an erþen vessel: for it schal be broken whan eny vnclene þing haþ y-be-þer-ynne. Also alle manere stondynge watres in cysternes oþer in puttes weren vnclene; also alle manere flesch þat
 10 water weren þrowen on was vnclene. & who þat touched⁵ þe careyn of a clene best þat dyed⁶ in sum seknesse, he schulde ben vnclene forte² efen; and⁷ who þat eteþ of such a⁸ careyne, or bereþ it oþer⁹ eny þing þer-of. Þese beþ þe cerymonyes of vnclene metes þat maden men vnclene.
 15 Eserich man þat was leprous was vnclene, & schulde by dom of prestes ben y-putt oute of þe cumpanye of his breþeren þat weren clene. & whan he were hol & clene of his lepre, he schulde schewe hym to þe prest¹⁰, & þe prest schulde offren to God a sacryfyce for his clensynge. What man toucheþ a
 20 leprous man is vnclene; what vessel oþer cloþinge þat a leprous man toucheþ it is vnclene; & þef it be an erþen vessel þat he toucheþ it schal¹¹ be broken. A man also þat þorouȝ seknesse haþ a flux of his kynde passynge from hym is vnclene forte¹² he be hol of his seknesse; & al þe tyme of
 25 his seknesse, who þat touched⁵ hym schulde ben vnclene forto¹³ efen; & also who þat touched⁵ his bed, oþer sete þer he hade¹⁴ y-sete, schulde ben vnclene forto¹³ efen. & þef he were hol of his seknesse, he schulde tellen vii¹⁵ dayes from þe tyme of his clansynge; & whan he had y-waschen al his body &
 30 his cloþes in hurnynge¹⁶ water, þe eyȝteþe day he schulde come to þe prest, & he schulde offren for hym a sacryfyce to God & preye for hym to God. Also boþe men & wymmen astur þat þei haden leyen to-gedere, þei schulden ben vnclene

¹ cledde expunged in S. with *cloved* in the margin in a later hand. *clede* P. Cf. *Vulgate*, Levit. xi. 31 Qui tetigerit morticina eorum, immundus erit usque ad vesperum. ² *tyl* P. ³ *r* on erasure, S. ⁴ *is* on erasure, S. ⁵ *toucheth* P. ⁶ *dyeth* P. ⁷ fol. 11^b S. ⁸ *om.* P. ⁹ *orþer* P. ¹⁰ fol. 18 P. ¹¹ *sal* P. ¹² *til* P. ¹³ *e* had on erasure, S. ¹⁴ *seuen* P. ¹⁵ *hurnynge* expunged with *renynge* in the margin, 1st corrector, S. *rennyng* inserted in P.

forto¹ efen; & þanne² þei schulden waschen hure cloþes &
 hure bodyes, & so þei schulden ben mad clene. A wymman
 þat hade purgacioun eferich moneþ aftur þe day of hure
 purgacioun, he³ schulde be holden vncleane sefen dayes
 afturward; & who þat lye wiþ hure wiþ-ynne þat tyme⁴ 5
 schulde ben vncleane forto¹ efen; & who þat touched⁵ hure
 bed⁶ also, & þe⁷ vesseles þat heo⁸ touched⁵ wiþ-ynne þat tyme,
 schulde ben vncleane. A womman þat hade⁹ flux of blod aftur
 hure kyndelyche purgacioun in þe moneþ was vncleane; &
 who þat touched⁵ hure oþer hure bed schulde ben vncleane 10
 forto¹ efen. & aftur þe¹⁰ cessynge of hure flux heo⁸ schulde
 counte sefen dayes, & þe eizteþe day heo⁸ schulde come to þe
 prest, & he schulde offre for hure a sacrifyce to God, & preye
 for hure. A womman þat hadde y-boren a chyld, 3ef it were
 a knafe-chylde¹¹, sefen dayes he⁸ schulde ben vncleane, þe 15
 eyztþe day heo⁸ schulde circumsyden¹² hure chyld, and þritty
 dayes schulden passen er þan he⁸ schulde come in-to þe
 seyntewarye, oþer touchen eny halewed þing. 3ef it were a
 mayde-chyld þat were y-boren, þe womman schulde ben
 vncleane two wykes, & LX¹³ dayes & sixe heo⁸ schulde ben in 20
 hure purgacyoun; & aftur þese dayes heo⁸ schulde come to þe
 prest, & he schulde offren to God a sacrifyce & prey for hure.
 Þese bep þe cerymonyes of clene men & vncleane & wymmen
 also. þei haden also cerymonyes of halydayes: for¹⁴ þe
 sixe dayes of þe wyke þei myzten werche, & þe viif¹⁵ day þei 25
 schulden ben in reste; boþe þe housbonde and his wyf & his
 children & his serfauntes¹⁶ and his bestes and straungeres also.
 For whan God maketh þe world, sixe dayes he wrouhte, and þe
 sefeþe¹⁷ day he was in reste. And who þat wroste¹⁸ þe haly-
 day, he schulde ben y-stoned to þe deþ. þe furste moneþ of 30
 þe 3er, þe fourtenþe day of þe moneþ, Pase¹⁹ of God, þe efetyd
 (þat is to seye, þe passynge²⁰ of God²¹): & on þe morewen þei
 schulden maken a solempnyte of þerf²² bred; and þis day þei
 schulden resten from alle bodylyche werkes. And sefen dayes

¹ tyl P. ² fol. 12 S. ³ 3e P. ⁴ toucheþ P. ⁵ fol. 13^b P.
⁶ om. P. ⁷ hadde a P. ⁸ knafe underlined in S, with man in the
 margin in a late hand. ⁹ circumsisen P. ¹⁰ sixti P. ¹¹ fol. 12^b S.
¹² seuenþe P. ¹³ fol. 14 P. ¹⁴ Cf. Vulgate, Levit. xxiii. 5, Phase
 Domini est. ¹⁵ ss on erasure, S. ¹⁶ God has g on erasure, S. ¹⁷ þerf P.

þei schulden eten þerf¹ bred. And þe sefeþe² day schulde
be holy as þe furste. Þis God ordeyneþ for³ þei⁴ schulden
hafen in muynde how in þe furste⁵ moneþ of⁶

I. PETER'.

Suster⁷, þre aposteles þat weren most pryfe wiþ Crist,
Petur & Iames & Ion, wryteþ pysteles to þe pepel how þei
schulden lyue; & Peter seiþ on þis wyse,

- 1 3 Y-blessed be God, þe Fader⁸ of oure Lord Iesu Crist, þat
of his grete mercy haþ bygeten 3ow a3eyn in-to on hope by þe
4 arysynge from deþ to lyfe of Iesus Crist, & in-to an herytage
incorruptybel, vndefouled, þat may noȝt welewe, þat is y-kept
5 in hefne in 3ow, þat beþ y-kept in þe vertu of God by feiþ
6 in-to hele þat is redy to ben y-schewed in þe laste tyme; in
þe whyche tyme 3e schuleþ ioyen. And now 3ef it behoueþ
7 to sorewe to-gedere a luytel in dyuerse temptacyones, þat
þe preuynge of 3owre feiþ be more precyous þan gold þat is
y-prefed in þe fuyr, & be y-founde⁹ in-to preysynge & ioye &
8 worschupe in þe reuelacyoun of Iesus Crist: whom 3e lofeþ,
þat 3e ne hafeþ noȝt y-seye: in whom 3e byleseþ, þat 3e seþ
noȝt; but whan 3e seþ hym, 3e schuleþ ioyen in a gladnesse þat
9 may noȝt ben y-told, y-gloryfyed, & berynge þe ende of 3oure
10 feiþ, þe hele of 3oure soules. Of þe whuche hele prophetes
han y-souȝt & y-serched, þat han y-prophecyed of þe grace
11 þat is to comen in 3ow: þat telleþ as þe spiryt of Crist haþ
y-sygnifyed to hem þis tyme, furst tellynge þe suffrynges
12 of Crist, & siþþe his¹¹ blisses þat comeþ astur. To whuche
prophetes it wes¹² y-told, þat þei ne schulde noȝt to hem-

¹ þerw P. ² seuenþe P. ³ r on erasure, S. ⁴ þei on erasure, S.
⁵ e on erasure, S. ⁶ The rest of the page is blank in S and P.
⁷ fol. 13 Running heading: *Petri i* (ii). C^m 1^m in the margin; below it
I Peter c i in a modern hand which has marked the chapters as far as
I John i., S. fol. 14^b P. ⁸ uster on erasure, S. ⁹ fa in margin with
caret to mark insertion, S. ¹⁰ y- om. P. ¹¹ fol. 15 P. ¹² e in
wes is blurred, S. was P.

selfe, bote to 3ow, mynystre pilke þinges þat beþ now y-told
to 3ow by hem¹ þat haueþ y-preched 3ow in þe Holy Gost.
þat² is³ y-send from hefne; in whom þe aungeles of hefne
desyreþ to byholde. & þerfore cutteþ up þe lendes of 3oure⁴ 13
þou3t, & beþ sober in alle þinges, & parfyt, & hope 3e in þat
grace þat is y-prefed to 3ow in þe reuelacyown of Iesu Crist;
as chylde of obedyence, no3t ylyche þe desyres of 3oure⁵ 14
vnkunnyngnesse herbyfore⁶, bote y-lyche hym þat haþ ycleped⁷ 15
3ow þat is holy, þat 3e ben holy in eueriche conuersacyoun;
for it is y-wryten, 3e schuleþ ben holy, for ych am holy. 16
And 3ef⁸ 3e clepeþ hym⁹ 3oure Fader, þat¹⁰ demeþ wiþ-uten¹¹ 17
vndurfongynge of mennes persones¹², aftur euerych mannes
worchyng, haue 3e þe conuersacyoun in þe tyme of 3oure
wonyng in þis worlde in drede: knowynge þat 3e beþ no3t¹³ 18
for-bou3t¹⁴ wiþ corruptybel þinges, as gold oþer syluer, out
of 3oure ueyn¹⁵ conuersacyoun of 3oure fadres tradycyones¹⁶;
but þorow þe precyous blod of Crist, þat was as a lomb vnde- 19
fouled, wiþ-uten wem, þat was y-knowe by-fore þe ordeynynge¹⁷ 20
of þe worlde, & y-schewed in þese laste tymes for 3ow: þat¹⁸ 21
þorow hym beþ trewe in¹⁹ God þat areryd hym vp from deþ to
lyfe, & haþ y-zeuen²⁰ hym an euerlastynge blisse, þat 3oure
bylene & 3oure hope were in God, makynge 3oure soules²¹ 22
chaste in buxomnesse of charyte & in loue of bryþerhede; &
loue 3e sadlyche to-gydere of a sympel herte: y-bore a3eyn²² 23
no3t of a seed þat is corruptybel, bote in-corruptybel, þorow
þe word of þe lyuyng God & dwellyng wiþ-uten²³ ende.
For eferich flesch is gras, &²⁴ his blisse is þe flour of gras. 24
þe gras waxed²⁵ drye, & his flour fel adoun: bote Goddes²⁶ 25
word dwelleþ euermore. And þis²⁷ is þat word þat is y-
prechyd to 3ow²⁸. & þerfore do 3ee away euerych wicked- 2
nesse & gyle & symulacyons & enuyes²⁹ & alle manere

¹ e partly erased, S. ² fol. 13 b. ³ om. P. ⁴ no3t ylyche...
herbyfore in margin, 1st corrector, S. omitted in P. ⁵ Followed by
for (crossed out), S. ⁶ þ on erasure, S. ⁷ es on erasure, S.
⁸ u added above the line, nota in the margin, S. ⁹ ueyn written in
margin by 1st corrector, S. om. P. ¹⁰ on on erasure, S. ¹¹ fol. 15^o P.
¹² y twice repeated. P. ¹³ an e is repeated in the margin, S. ¹⁴ in P.
¹⁵ wexep P. ¹⁶ fol. 14. ¹⁷ c^m 2^m in margin in early hand, S. ¹⁸ nota
written above 3ow, S. ¹⁹ enemyes P.

2 detractiones, as chyldren þat beþ nou¹ bygeten, resonabel,
 wipouten gyle², coueyte 3e mylk þat 3e growen þere into hele;
 3,4 3ef 3e han y-tasted³ þe swetnesse of God: to whom 3e comeþ,
 to a ston, y-repreuyd of men, bote y-chosen of God & y-
 5 worschupyd; & be 3e as quyke stones y-buld abouen in-to
 spirytual houses, an⁴ holy presthod. And offre 3e spirytual
 6 sacrificyes, acceptabel to God by Iesus Crist. & þerfore
 scripture seiþ, Lo, ich⁵ wole putten in Syon a chef corner-
 ston, precyous & y-chose. And who þat byleueþ in hym ne
 7 schal nozt ben y-schend. And þer-fore to 3ow þat by-leueþ
 8 he is worschupe & an heed-ston of þe corner, bote to hem þat
 byleueþ nozt, & buyldynge han reproned þis ston, he is a ston
 of offence & of sclaunder, to þilke þat offendip his word
 9 & byleueþ nozt in hym, in whom þei beþ y-sett. Bote 3e beþ
 a kynde y-chose, a kynglyche presthode and holy folk, a pepel
 of adquysicyoun, þat 3e schewen openlyche his vertues þat
 haþ⁶ ycleped 3ow out of darknesse in-to his wondurful lyst;
 10 & þilke þat weren no pupel, now þei beþ Goddes pepel⁷; &
 þilke þat founden no mercy, now þei habbeþ y-founde mercy.
 11 My leueste frendes, y pray 3ow as straungeris & pyl-
 grymes, to abstene 3ou from⁸ fleschlyche desyres, þat fysteþ
 12 a3eyn þe soule; hauynge 3oure⁹ conuersacyoun good among
 folk; þat, in as myche as men spekeþ yuel of 3ou as of yuel-
 doeris, þei gloryfyen God in þe day of visitacyoun, byholdynge
 13 in 3oure goode werkes. & be 3e soget to euerych creature of
 14 man, for¹⁰ God: to þe kyng, as to hym þat is abouen; to
 dukes, as to hem þat beþ ysend from hym in-to veniaunce
 15 of¹¹ wykked doeris & preysynge of goode men. For so it is þe
 wille of God, þat in 3oure wel-doynge 3e maken þe vnkunnyng-
 16 nesse of vnwyse men waxe dounbe; & be 3e fre, nozt hauynge
 17 þe fredom of wykkednesse, bote as Goddes seruauntes. Wor-
 schupe 3e alle men, & loue 3e breþerhede. Dredip 3e God¹²,

¹ After *nou* erasure of two letters, probably *þe*, the *þ* being faintly visible, S.

² an *e* is repeated in the margin, S. ³ y- om. P. ⁴ and P. ⁵ fol. 16 P.

⁶ om. P.

⁷ and *þilke þat...Goddes pepel* in a contemporary hand in the margin with a caret to mark insertion, P. ⁸ an *e* is written in the margin, S.

⁹ fol. 14^b S. ¹⁰ The *d* is added above the line, S. ¹¹ fol.

16^b P. ¹² *dredip 3e god* in the margin, 1st corrector's hand, S. om. P.

& worschupe 3e þe kyng. & be 3e sogetis in alle drede to 18
lordes, noȝt onlyche to þilke þat beþ goode & softe, bote also
to þilke þat beþ wykked. & þis is a¹ grace, ȝef eny man 19
suffreþ any dysese vnriȝtfullyche for þe knowynge of God.
Bote what grace is it, ȝef 3e sungeþ² & suffreþ betynges? [but 20
if 3e, doynge wel, pacientliche suffreþ]³, þis is a¹ grace to-fore
God. For in þis 3e beþ y-cleped: for Crist suffrede for ous, 21
leuyng to 3ou ensauple, þat 3e swen his steppis: þat dide 22
non synne, ne non gyle was y-founde in his⁴ mouþ: & whan 23
men cursed⁵ hym, he ne cursed⁶ noȝt aȝeyn; & whan he
suffred, he ne þreted no man, bote he toke hymselfe to þilke
þat demed hym vnriȝtfulliche; & he bar oure synnes in his 24
body on þe tre; & þoroȝ his blood we beþ y-heled⁷. & 3e 25
weren scheep erreden, bote now 3e beþ y-turned to a schep-
herde & a byschop of 3oure soules.

And⁸ [also] ben wymmen sogetis to hire housbondes, þat 1 3
þilke þat byleueþ noȝt to þe word ben y-wonne wiþ-uten⁹
word by wymmennes conuersacioun; byholdynge a chaste 2
conuersacioun in drede¹⁰, þouȝ þer were noȝt wiþouten-forþ 3
araynge of þe heres of hure hed, ne enuyronynge¹¹ aboute
of gold, oþer an-oþer cloþinge, ne apparayl of cloþes. Bote 4
þat þe man of þe herte þat is y-hud be wiþ-uten corrupcioun,
of a softe spyrȝt in reste, þat is ryche in þe syȝt of God. For 5
so sumtyme holy wymmen, hopynge in God, arayed hem-
selfe, beyng sogettes to hure housbondes: as Sara was 6
buxom to Abraham, clepyng hym hure lord: whos douȝtren
3e beþ, wel doynge and dredynge non affray. Men also 7
duellen to-gydere with wymmen, & aftur hure cunyng
departynge to hem worschupe, as to a wommanlyche vessel
þat is more febel þan 3e beþ, as to hem þat beþ heyres wiþ
3ow of þe grace of lyf; þat 3oure preyerres ne ben noȝt ylet.
& be 3e in seiþ euerychone of on soule, suffrynge togydere, 8

¹ om. P. ² synnyþ P. ³ but if 3e doynge wel pacientliche suffreþ in
the margin, P. om. S. ⁴ m (crossed through) follows, S. ⁵ curseþ P.
⁶ y followed by turned (crossed out), P. ⁷ C^m 3^m in an early hand in the
margin, S. And also P. ⁸ fol. 15 S. fol. 17 P. ⁹ drede followed
by as (expunged), S. ¹⁰ serklyng P. In S serklenge is written in the
margin, 1st corrector's hand.

9 louyeria of breperhed, mercyful, noȝt wroþ¹, & humel²: noȝt
 zeldynge yfel for yfel, ne cursynge for cursynge: bote blea-
 synge aȝeynward; for in þat ȝe beþ y-cleped, þat ȝe owen þe
 10 blessinge of herytage. For who þat wole loue lyf, & y-sen
 goode dayes, chaste³ he his tunge from yfel, & his lippis þat
 11 þei speken no gyle: & bowe he a-wey from yfel, & do he
 12 good; & seche he pes & swe pes. For þe yȝen of God⁴ beþ
 on riȝtful men, & his eryl to here preyeris; bote þe sterne
 13 semblaunt of God is on hem þat doþ yfel. And who is it⁵
 14 þat may noye ȝow, ȝef ȝe beþ goode foleweres? & ȝef ȝe
 suffreþ eny þing for riȝtfulnesse, þanne ȝe schuleþ ben blessed.
 Bote ne⁶ drede ȝe noȝt þe drede of hem, þat ȝe be noȝt
 15 afrayed; bote halewe ȝe oure Lord Crist in ȝoure hertys;
 & be ȝe redy euermore to ȝeuen a resoun to euerich man þat
 16 axeþ ȝow of þe feiþ & of þe hope þat is in ȝow; & haue
 a good conscyence in softnesse & in drede, þat þilke þat
 bakbyteþ ȝow ben confounded, þat chalangeþ ȝoure good
 17 conuersacyoun in Crist. For it is beter, ȝif it be Goddis
 18 wille, þat ȝe suffren doynge wel þan doynge yuel. For Crist
 haþ ones y-dyed for oure synnes, he þat is riȝtful for us
 vuriȝtful, þat he wolde offren us to God; y-slawnen in flesch
 19 & y-mad lyfynge in spiryt; in þe whuche spiryt he com &
 20 preched to hem þat weren in prisoun, þat weren vnbyleuynges
 sumtime, when þei abyden þe pacyence of God in þe dayes of
 Noe, when þe schyp was y-mad, in þe whuche schip a fewe,
 21 as eizte soules, weren y-saued by water. & nouþ⁷ in þe same
 manere baptysme makeþ men saf, noȝt þe doynge a-wey of þe
 fylþe of þe flesch, bote þe axynge of a good conscyence in
 God, by þe arysynge from deþ to⁸ lyfe [of] oure Lord Iesu
 22 Crist, þat is in þe⁹ riȝtsyde of God, swolewynges deþ, þat ȝe
 weren y-mad heyres of an eferlastynge lyf; & he is gon
 to hefne, & haþ y-mad sogettis to hym aungeles and po-
 testates and vertutes¹⁰.

4 1 And¹¹ perfore ȝif Crist haþ y-suffred in his flesch, be ȝe

¹ rop on erasure, S. ² humel om. with meke written in margin, P.

³ wiþholde in a later hand, P. ⁴ fol. 17^b P. ⁵ om. P. ⁶ fol. 15 b.

⁷ nou P. ⁸ þ on erasure, S. ⁹ fol. 18 P. ¹⁰ om. P. ¹¹ vertues P.

¹¹ C= 4= in the margin in an early hand, S.

y-armed in þe same þouȝt; for he þat suffred in fleſch lefte
 alle manere synnes; For as muche as þe remnaunt þat lyfeþ
 in fleſch, aſtur þis tyme lyue aſtur þe wyll¹ of God & noȝt
 aſtur mennes luſtes. For þe tyme þat² is paſſed ſuffyceþ 3
 to maken an ende of þe wyll of myſ-byleued men, þat
 habbeþ y-walked in hure leccherye, & in luſtes of wyn-
 drynkynges, & etynges, & drynkynges out of meſure, &
 vnleſſel heryenges of maumetes: in whom þei beþ nowþe 4
 aſtonyed & wondreþ þat we ne hurneþ³ noȝt in-to þe ſame
 confuſoun of leccherye, blaſphemyng oure God; bote þei 5
 ſchuleþ ȝelden u reſoun to hym þat is redy for-to demen boþe
 quyke & dede. & þerfore it haþ ben⁴ y-preched to hem þat 6
 beþ dede, þat⁵ þei ben y-demed aſtur men in fleſch, & lyfen
 aſtur God in ſpiryt. & þe ende of alle þinges comeþ nyȝ: & 7
 þerfore be ȝe wyſe, and⁶ wake ȝe in preȝeres; & to-fore alle 8
 þinges haue ȝe contynuel charyte in ȝow, eſerychone to oþer;
 For charite heleþ þe mul[ti]tude⁷ of synne. &⁸ herborewe 9
 ȝe eſerychone oþer wiþ-uten grucchyng; & eſerich man as 10
 he haþ vnderfonge grace, mynſtre he þat grace to oþer, as
 goode dyspensatores of many maner grace of God; & who 11
 þat ſpekeþ, ſpeke he as þe wordes of God; & who þat
 mynſtreþ as of þe vertue þat God mynſtreþ: þat in alle
 þinges God be y-worſchuped þoroȝ oure Lord Ieſu Criſt,
 to whom is⁹ bliſſe & power of comaundyng, world wiþ-uten
 ende. My leuete breþeren, ne be ȝe noȝt pilgrymes in þe 12
 grete hete þat is y-don to ȝow þoroȝ temptacyones, as þouȝ
 þer fulle any newe þing to ȝow: bote comune ȝe to Criſtes 13
 ſuffrynges, & be ȝe glade þat ȝe ben glade & ioȝen in þe
 reuelacion of þe blyſſe of oure Lord Ieſu Criſt. And ȝef ȝe 14
 beþ obrayded for his name, þanne ȝe ſchulleþ ben y-blessed;
 For þe Spiryt of hym þat is of þe worſchupe of þe blyſſe &
 of þe vertue of God ſchal reſten up-on ȝow. Bote¹⁰ no man 15
 of ȝow ſuffre as a man-ſleer, oþer a þef, oþer a curſer, oþer as
 he þat¹¹ deſyreþ oþer mennes goodes: bote who þat ſuffreþ as 16
 a Criſtene inan, be he noȝt aſchamed, bote gloryfye he God

¹ þe wyll twice repeated, S, P. In S. the firſt þe wyll is expunged.

² fol. 16 S.

³ turneþ with t on erasure, P.

⁴ y ben P.

⁵ and P.

⁶ an e written in the margin, S.

⁷ ti left out in S.

⁸ fol. 16^a P.

⁹ his P.

¹⁰ fol. 16^a S.

¹¹ om. P.

17 þoroȝ a riȝtful name. For it is tyme þat þe dom bygȝane
 from Godes hous : & ȝef þe bygynnyng be at ȝow, what ende
 18 schal be of hem þat byleueþ noȝt to þe euangelye ? & ȝef þe
 riȝtful man¹ schal vnnepis ben y-safed, where schuleþ þe
 19 wycked men & þe synful man apperen ? & þerfore þese þat
 suffreþ aftur þe wyll of God, to a trew makere þei takeþ
 5 1 hure soules to kepe in goode deedia. And² y preye pilke þat
 beþ eldere men among ȝow, y. þat am a wytnesse of þe
 suffrynges of Crist, & a comuner of his blisse þat schal be
 2 schewed her-aftur, þat ȝe feden³ Goddes flok⁴ þat is in ȝow,
 takynge kepe to hem, noȝt y-constreyned bote wilfullyche,
 3 aftur God ; ne for no foul wynnyng, bote wilfullyche ; &
 noȝt as hauynge lordschype in⁵ clergie, bote in forme of
 4 a⁶ flok⁴ þat is y-mad of ȝoure wyll, of ȝoure soule ; þat whan
 he þat is prince of schepherdes appereþ, ȝe vnderfongen
 5 a coroune of blysse þat may noȝt welewe. Also, ȝe ȝonge-
 lynges, be ȝe sogettes to ȝoure eldren. & eferich man schewe
 humelnesse to oþer : for God aȝeynstondeþ proude men, &
 6 ȝefeth grace to humel men. & þerfore humel ȝe ȝow vnder þe
 myȝty hond of God, þat he arere ȝow an hyȝ in þe tyme of
 7 vysytacyoun ; & þrowe ȝe al ȝoure bysynesse in hym, for he
 8 haþ þe charg of ȝouw. And be ȝe sober, & wake ȝe, for
 ȝoure aduersarye⁷ þe deuyl goþ aboute as a lyoun rampaund,
 9 sechyng⁸ whom he may deuoure : whom aȝeynstonde ȝe
 strong in feiþ, knowynge þat he doþ in þe same wyse to
 10 ȝoure broþerhede þat is in þe worlde. Bote God of eferiche
 grace, þat haþ y-cleped ȝow into an⁹ eferlastynge blesse⁹ þat
 habbeþ y-suffred a luytel¹⁰, he schal make ȝow parfyt, & con-
 11 ferme ȝow, & stable ȝou to hym by blysse & empyre from
 world to worlde.

II. PETER.

1 1 Symon¹¹ Peter, Iesu Cristes seruauȝt & apostel, to pilke
 þat haueþ euene feiþ wiþ ous, [in]¹² þe⁸ riȝtfulnesse of oure God,

¹ fol. 19 P. ² C^m 5^m in an early hand, S. ³ feden repeated in the margin, 1st corrector, S. ⁴ folk P. ⁵ & P. ⁶ om. P.
⁷ fol. 17 S. ⁸ fol. 19^b P. ⁹ blysse P. ¹⁰ x expunged, S.
¹¹ C^m 1^m in margin in an early hand, S. ¹² P. & S.

& oure Sauyour Iesu Crist: Grace & pes be fulfilld to you 2
 in þe knowynge of oure Lord Iesu Crist. How alle þinges 3
 beþ y-graunted to us, to lif & to pyte, of þe vertue of his god-
 hede, þoroþ þe knowynge of hym þat haþ y-cleped ous þoroþ
 his owene blisse & his vertue; by whom he haþ y-graunted 4
 ous grete byhestes & precyouse; þat we ben y-maad by hym
 felawes of þe kynde of þe godhede, fleyng þe corrupcyoun
 þat is in þe worlde. And 3e wiþ al 3oure bysynesse mynystreþ 5
 in 3oure seiþ vertu, in vertu connyng¹, in connyng¹ absty- 6
 nence, in abstynence pacyence, in pacyence pyte, in pyte loue 7
 of bryþerhel², in³ loue of bryþerhede charyte. And 3ef þese 8
 þinges ben in 3ow, þei ne schuleþ nozt make 3ow veyn ne
 wiþ-uten fruyt⁴ in þe knowynge of oure Lord Iesu Crist.
 And he þat haþ nozt þese þinges, he is blynd, and gropynge 9
 wiþ his hond, & forzeteth þe purgacyoun of his olde synne.
 And þerfore, breþeren, be 3e aboute to⁵ maken 3oure clepyng 10
 & 3oure chesyng certeyn by 3oure goode werkes: & doynge
 þese þynges 3e schulleþ do no synne: & so þer schal be 11
 i-mynystred⁶ to 3ow plentynouslyche an entre in-to þe euer-
 lastynge kyngdom of oure Lord & oure Sauyour Iesu Crist.
 Wharfore ich wole by-gynne to warne 3ow of þese þinges, þat 12
 knoweþ & beþ y-confermed in þis present trewþe. For y 13
 deme þat it is ryztful, as longe as ich am in þis tabernakel, to
 arere 3ow up in warnynge; For ich am certeyn þat þe doynge 14
 away of my tabernakel is nyȝ, as oure Lord Iesu Crist haþ
 y-sygnifyed to me. And ich wole 3eue my dylygence to haue 15
 3ow fele syþes after my deþ þat 3e maken mynde of þese
 þinges. For we ne haueþ nozt y-folewed vnwyse fables & 16
 y-mad 3ow knowen þe vertue of oure Lord, bote we weren
 y-mad by-holderes of his gretnesse. For he vnderfong of 17
 God þe Fader worschyp & blisse, of a voys þat slod a-doun to
 hym from þe grete blisse⁷ of þe Fadur & seyde, þis is my
 leue sone, in whom ich am y-pled⁸; y-here⁹ 3e hym. And 18
 þis voys we herden come from heuene, when we weren wiþ
 hym in þe holy hul¹⁰. & we han a more syker word of 19

¹ comynge P. nota in the margin, S.² broþerhede P.³ & P.⁴ fol. 20 P.⁵ fol. 17^b S.⁶ the *i* inserted later above the line, S.⁷ *e* in the margin, S.⁸ wel y plesed P.⁹ y om. P.¹⁰ fol. 20^b P.

prophecye, to whom 3ef 3e takeþ kepe to, 3e doþ wel, as to a lyzt þat brenneþ in a dark place, forte¹ þe² day bygynne to schyne, & þe day-sterre aryse up in 3oure hertes. And furst vnderstonde 3e, þat eueriche prophecye of scripture ne is noȝt y-mad in his owene interpretacyoun: For prophecye ne is noȝt y-brouȝt of a mannes³ owene wylle: bote holy men han y-spoke as þe Holy Spyrte of God hath enspyred hem.

- 2 And⁴ þer han ben her byfore false prophetys in þe pepel, as þer schulen ben her-after a-mong 3ow maystres of lesynges, þat schuleþ bryngen in sectes⁵ of perdyoun, & forsakyng⁶ hure Lord þat haþ y-bouȝt hem, & bryngyng an hasty perdyoun to hem-selfen. & many schul swe her leccheryes, by 3 whom þe weye of trowþe schal ben blasphemed. And þei schuleþ chaffaren of 3ow wiþ feyned⁷ wordis in here couetyse: bote hure dom ne cesseþ noȝt, ne hure perdyoun ne slepeþ 4 noȝt. For 3ef God ne sparyd not aungelis þat synned, bote þrew hem down in-to helle, & toke hem to ben y-turmentyd 5 & y-kept to þe dom; And 3ef he ne spared not þe orygynall worlde⁸ & kept Noe þe eyzteþe man, þat was a bedel & a fore-goere of ryȝtfulnesse, & broȝte a gret flod in-to þe 6 worlde of wycked men; & 3ef he ouer-turned þe cytees of Sodom & Gomor⁹, & turned hem in-to axen¹⁰, & dampned, & putte hem þe ensampel of hem þat schulden don wyck- 7 edlyche; & delyuered Loth þat was a ryȝtful man and oppressed of þe iniurye of wycked men & of hure leccherous 8 conuersacioun: for boþe in byholdyng and in heryng he was ryȝtful, wonyng among hem þat from day to day þoroȝ 9 hure wycked werkes turmenteden a ryȝtful soule. & God can delyueren goode men out of temptacioun, & kepen wycked men in-to þe day of dom, to ben y-turmented in 10 peynes; & rapere hem þat walkeþ aftur þe flesch in couetyse of vclannesse¹¹, & despyseþ þe lordschupe; bodylyche plesyng to hem-selfe ne dredeþ noȝt to bryngen in sectes 11 blasphemynge God, wher þat aungeles, þat beþ grettere in

¹ til P.
early hand, S.

² om. P.

³ fol. 18 B.

⁴ C^m 2^m precedes in an

⁵ sectes repeated in margin, 1st corrector's hand, S.

⁶ forsaken P.

⁷ fined P.

⁸ word P.

⁹ fol. 21 P.

¹⁰ aschen P.

¹¹ fol. 18^b S.

strengþe & in vertue, ne bereþ noȝt þe bittur dom þat is
 aȝeyn hem. And þese beþ as vnresonabel bestes, kyndelyche 12
 in-to takynge & in-to deþ, blasphemynge in þinges þat þei
 knoweþ noȝt, in hure corrupcyoun þei schulen peryschen,
 vnderfongynge þe mede of vnryȝtfulnesse. Þese wenep þat 13
 lustes ben delyces¹ of day², & beþ fulfyllled wiþ þe delyces
 of wem of defoulynge, & doþ leccherye wiþ ȝow in hure
 leccheryes; and haueþ yen³ ful of avoutrye, & of gult þat 14
 may noȝt cessen; deceyfynge soules vnstabel⁴; habbeþ hure
 herte y-stered to coueytise; children of cursynge; & leuynge 15
 þe⁵ ryȝte weye han y-erred & han⁶ y-swed⁷ þe weye of Baalam
 & Boosor, þat loued þe mede of wyckednesse; bote he had 16
 a doumbe beste þat was vnder ȝok a mendement of his
 wodnesse, spekyng in mannys voys, þat forbed þe vnkun-
 nyngnesse of þe prophete. Þese beþ welles wiþouten water, 17
 & cloudes y-dryfen a-boute wiþ whirlynge wyndes, to whom
 þe dymshyp of derknesse is y-kept to. & spekyng in 18
 pruyde of vanyte bygyleþ in þe desyres of þe leccherye
 of hure flesch þilke þat fleþ a luytel weye from hem; & þei
 haueþ hure conuersacyoun in errour, byhotynge to hem 19
 fredom & beþ hem-selfen seruauantis of corrupcyoun. For of
 whom a man is ofercome, his serfaunt he is. For ȝef men 20
 fleþ þe defoulynge of þe world in þe knowynge of oure Lord
 Iesu Crist, & afterward medlen wiþ þe same þinges, & ben
 ofercomen of hem, hure⁸ later doynge beþ worse þan þe
 raper. For it were beter to hem noȝt for-to knowe þe weye 21
 of ryȝtfulnes, þan, after þe knowynge, turnen hem aȝeynward
 from þe holy commaundement þat is y-take to hem. And to 22
 hem falleþ þe seyenge of þe trewe⁹ prouerbe, þe hound¹⁰ haþ
 y-turned hym aȝeyn forto caste, & þe sowe is y-wasche in þe
 gaseyn of fen.

And¹¹ lo, my leueste frendes, y write to ȝow þis¹² seconde : 3
 epystel¹³ to stere ȝow in-to warnynge to a cler þouȝt¹⁴, þat ȝe :

¹ delytes P.² in later hand on erasure, S.³ þan P.⁴ & vnstabel S, P.⁵ fol. 21^b P.⁶ om. P.⁷ y, om. P.⁸ fol. 19 S.⁹ treweþ P.¹⁰ u inserted above the line, S.¹¹ C^m 3^m in the margin

in an early hand, S.

¹² þe P.¹³ fol. 22 P.¹⁴ u added above

line in darker ink, S.

han mynde of þilke wordes þat ich haue y-sayd 3ow of holy
 prophetes & aposteles, of þe holy comaundementis of oure
 3 Lord & oure Safyours. And knowe 3e¹ furst, þat þer schuleþ
 comen men in þe laste dayes in deceyt gylours, walkynge
 4 after hure owene couey[ti]se², & seyenge, Where is þe by-
 heste oþer þe³ comynge of hym? For, seþþe þat oure fadres
 habbeþ y-slept, alle þinges abydeþ styлле from þe bygynnyng
 5 of creatures. Bote to þilke þat han þis wyl it is y-hud from
 hem, For hefne was sumtyme, and erþe, of watyr & abydyng
 6 þoro3 watyr by þe word of God. By whom þe world was þo
 7 y-clensed & perysched by watyr. Bote hefnes þat beþ now⁴,
 & þe erþe, þoro3 þe same word beþ y-kept to fuyr in-to þe day
 8 of dome, & of perdyoun of wycked men. Bote napeles, my
 dere frendes⁵, þis on þing ne be noȝt y-hud from 3ow, þat on
 day is to-fore God as a þousande 3eres⁶, & a þousande 3eer⁷
 9 as on day. And God ne targeþ noȝt his byheste as summe
 men weneþ; bote doþ pacyentlyche for 3ow, & nul none men⁸
 perysche, Bote þat alle men ben y-turnyd aȝeyn to penaunce.
 10 And þe day of oure Lord schal comen as a þef; in þe whuche
 day hefne schal passen in a gret hastynesse, & þe elementes
 schuleþ ben vnbounde þoro3 hete⁹, &¹⁰ þe erþe & al þe werkes
 11 þat beþ þer-yune¹¹ schuleþ ben y-brand. And seþþe alle þese
 þinges schuleþ ben vndon, Whyche byhoueþ it þat we ben in
 12 holy conuersacyones & pytees, abydyng & hyȝenge in þe
 comynge of oure Lord, þoro3 whom brennyng hefnes schuleþ
 ben vndon, & þe elementys schuleþ roten þoro3 þe hete of þe¹²
 13 fuyr? & we abydeþ newe hefnes & a newe erþe & his
 14 byhestes, in þe whuche riȝtfulnesse woneþ yne. And þerfore,
 my dereste breþeren, be 3e abydyng wip-ouen wem and
 15 vndefouled, & schape 3e 3ow to ben y-founden in þe. &
 deme þat þe longe a-bydyng of oure Lord Iesu Crist is¹³ hele,
 as oure dereste broþer Poule, aȝtyr þe wysdom þat was
 16 y-grauntyd hym, wrot to 3ou; as he haþ y-don in his oþer

¹ we P. ² coueyse S. ³ coueytise P. ⁴ þo P. ⁵ erasure of two letters after the w, S. ⁶ Opposite verse 8 an e and nota in the margin, S.
⁷ 3er P. ⁸ & a þousande 3eer om. P. ⁹ fol. 19^b S. ¹⁰ inserted in a later hand, P. ¹¹ fol. 22^b P. ¹² þer in margin, 1st corrector's hand, S. ¹³ þat P. ¹⁴ deprafsch is written in the margin in the 1st corrector's hand, S.

pysteles; in whom he spekep many harde pinges to vnder-
 stonden, þe whuche vnstabel men & vntauzt deprafep, as þei
 doþ oþer scriptures, to hure owne dampnacyoun. And þer- 17
 fore, my breþeren, seþþe 3e knowe þese pinges byfore, kepeþ
 3ow-selfe, þat 3e ben nozt y-lad in þe errour of vn-wyse men,
 & fallen away þoroȝ 3oure owene infirmyte. Bote waxe 3e in 18
 þe knowynge & in þe grace of oure¹ Lord Iesu Crist oure
 Sauyours; to hym be blysse now & efermore her-aftur.
 De[o]² gracias?

JAMES³.

James⁴ þat is a scruaunt of oure Lord & oure God : 1
 Iesu Crist, to þe twelue kyuredes þat beþ in dyspersyon,
 hele and gretynge. Breþeren, trowe 3e þat it be eferych 2
 gladnesse whan 3e falleþ in-to dyuerse temptacyons,
 knowynge þat þe prefynge of 3oure feiþ worcheþ pacyence. 3
 And pacyence haþ a⁵ parfyt werk, þat 3e ben parfyt & hol, 4
 faylynge in no þing. And who-efere of 3ou nedep wysdom, 5
 axe he of God, þat graunteþ eferich man plentyuouslyche and
 obbraydeþ no man. & axe he in feiþ & trust, doutynge no 6
 þing: For he þat douteþ is lyche to þe flod of þe see⁶ þat is
 y-mefed & y-boren aboute of þe wynd. And þerfore pilke 7
 man ne trowe nozt þat he schal vnderfonge any þing of God;
 A man þat is doubel in soule, he is vnstabel in alle his weyea. 8
 And an humel broþer ioye he in hys hyȝenesse, & a ryche 9, 10
 man⁷ in his lowenesse: For as þe flour of þe gras he schal
 passe forþ his weye. For þe sunne haþ y-rysen up wip hete, 11
 & haþ y-druyed⁸ þe heþ; & his flour is y-fallen a-down, & his
 fayrnesse is y-perysched: so a ryche man schal welewen in
 his iourneyes. þat man is y-blessed þat suffreþ temptacyoun: 12
 for whanne he is y-prefed, he schal vnderfonge⁹ a coroune of
 lyf, þat God haþ byhoten to pilke þat loueþ hym. & no man 13

¹ 3oure P. ² deu with u in darker ink on erasure, S. ³ Heading: *Jacobus* in a later hand on fol. 20, subsequently *Ja-cobi* on facing pages, with the second stroke of u and the s erased. S. ⁴ C^m 1^m in an early hand, S. fol. 23 P. ⁵ om. P. ⁶ an e in the margin, S. ⁷ ryche man repeated in margin, 1st corrector, S. ⁸ uyd on erasure, S. *ydrayed* P. ⁹ fol. 23^b P.

- seye whan he is y-temptyd, þat he is y-tempted¹ of God : for
 God ne is no temptour of wyckednesse, For he ne tempteþ no
 14 man: bote eferiche man is i-tempted² þoroȝ sterynge &
 15 drawyng of his owne coueytise. & after whan þat mannes
 coueytise haþ y-conseyued, he bryngeþ forþ³ synne : & whan
 16 þe synne is y-don, it bygeteþ⁴ dep. & þerfore, my leueste
 17 bryþeren, ne erre ȝe noȝt. Eferich ȝeft þat is best & parfyt
 is from abouen, comynge adoun from þe Fader of lytes, at
 whom ne is non⁵ chaungynge, ne ouer-schadewynge of re-
 18 wardynge. For wylfullyche he haþ bygeten ous þoroȝ þe
 word of trewþe, þat we ben sum bygynnyng of his creature.
 19 & wyte ȝe⁶ wel, my dereste breþeren, eferich man be swyft
 20 forte heren & slow for-to speken & slow to wrappe: For
 a mannes wrappe ne worcheþ noȝt þe ryzfulnesse of God.
 21 & þerfore caste ȝe away from ȝow eferych vnclennesse &
 plente of wyckednesse, & in goodnesse vnderfonge ȝe þe word
 22 þat is y-sowe to ȝow, þat may saue ȝoure soules. Bote be ȝe
 doeres of þe word, and noȝt onlyche hereris, bygylynge ȝow-
 23 selfe. For who þat is an herer of þe word, & noȝt a⁷ doere,
 þerafter he schal be lyckned to a man þat byholdeþ hym-
 24 selfen in a myrour: for⁸ he haþ byholden hymself, & wente
 forþ his weye, and anon he haþ forȝeten whyche he was.
 25 Bote he þat byholdeþ in þe lawe of parfyt fredom, & duelleþ
 þerynne, & ne is noȝt y-mad a forȝetful herer, bote a doere of
 26 þe werk, he is y-blessyd in his doynge. & who þat troweþ
 hym-selfe a relygyous man, & refreyneth noȝt his tunge bote
 27 bygyleþ his owne herte, his relygyoun is veyn. A clene
 relygyoun & wip-uten wem to-fore God & þe Fader þis⁹
 is, to vysyten faderles chyldren and moderles, & wydewes
 in hure trybulacyoun, & to kepen¹⁰ hym-self wip-uten wem
 from þis worlde.
- 2 1 And¹¹ my dere breþeren, ne haue ȝe noȝt þe feiþ of þe
 blysse of oure Lord Iesu Crist in vnderfongynge of mennes

¹ þat he is y-tempted in margin in 1st corrector's hand, S. om. P.

² t added above line by a later hand, S. om. P.

³ fol. 20^b S.

⁴ te on erasure, S.

⁵ no P.

⁶ an e in the margin, S.

⁷ om. P.

⁸ fol. 24 P.

⁹ þis written above þat (crossed out), P.

¹⁰ fol. 21 S.

¹¹ C^m 2^m in the margin in an early hand, S.

personen. For 3ef þer come in-to 3oure cumpanye a man in a
fayr cloþynge, hauynge a gold ryng¹ on his hond, & a pore
man also in a foul cloþinge; þanne 3ef 3e² byholdeþ in hym 3
þat is³ wel cloþed⁴, & seye, Sytte þou here wel; & seyn to þe
pore man, Stonde þou þere, oþer sytte vnder þe stol of my
fet; ne deme 3e noȝt þanne among 3ow-selfe, & be 3e noȝt 4
y-mad domes-men of wykkede þoȝtes? Y-hereþ, my dereste 5
frendes; ne ches noȝt God pore men in þis worlde, & ryche
men in feiþ, & heyres of þe kyngdom, þat God haþ⁵ by-hoten
to pilke þat loueþ hym? & 3e haueþ vnworschuped þe pore 6
man. & ne doþ noȝt þese ryche⁶ men þoroȝ hure myȝt þruste
3ou adoun? & þei draweþ 3ou to domes. & ne doþ noȝt þei 7
blaspheme þe goode name þat is y-cleped⁷ on 3ow? And so 8
3ef 3e parformeþ þe kynglyche lawe, after scripturis, þou
schalt loue [þy nexte neȝeboure]⁸, þann do 3e wel; & 3ef 3e 9
vnderfongeþ mennes persones, 3e doþ synne, & beþ vndernome
of þe lawe as trespassoures. & who þat kepeþ al þe lawe, & 10
offendeþ in on þing, he is y-mad gulty of al þe lawe. For he 11
þat seyde, þow schal do no leccherye, seyde also, þow schalt
not sleen. & 3ef þow dost no leccherye, bote sleest, þow art
y-mad a trespasour of þe lawe. So speke 3e, & so do 3e, as⁹ 12
þouȝ 3e bygonne to ben y-demed by þe lawe of fredom. For 13
to hym þat doþ no mercy þer is a dom wiþ-uten mercy: for
mercy heueþ vp an hyȝ dom. And my¹⁰ breþeren, what pro- 14
phyteþ it, 3ef a man sayþ þat he haþ feiþ, & ne haþ noȝt
werkes¹¹? wheþer his feiþ mowe sauen hym? And 3ef a 15
broþer oþer a¹¹ suster be naked, oþer haue nede to hure
eferyche dayes lyfode, & on of 3ow seye, Be 3e y-warmed¹², 16
oþer. Be 3e fulfillyd; & ne 3efe hem noȝt þat is nedeful to þe
body, what profyteþ it? Ryȝt so feiþ, 3ef he ne haue none 17
werkes, he is deed in hym-selfen. Bote sum man seyh¹², þow¹³ 18
hast feiþ, & ich haue werkes: schewe me þi feiþ wiþouten
werkes, & ich wole of my werkes schewe þe my feiþ. þow 19

¹ gold ryng repeated in margin, 1st corrector, S. ² he P. ³ om. P.
⁴ y-cloþed P. ⁵ fol. 24^b P. ⁶ an e in the margin, S. ⁷ y om. P.
⁸ þy nexte neȝeboure P. In S þ¹ neȝbour as thy self on erasure in a later
hand. ⁹ fol. 21^b S. ¹⁰ my leue, P. ¹¹ an e and nota in the
margin, S. ¹² syþ P. ¹³ fol. 25 P.

20 byleuest þat þer ne is bote on God, & þow dost wel: & fendes
 byleueþ & quakeþ for drede. Bote wolt þou y-wyte, þow
 21 veyn man, þat feiþ is ded wiþ-uten werkus? Abraham
 oure fader ne was noȝt he y-iustifyed¹ of his werkes, offrynge
 22 Ysaac his sone up-on þe auter? Ne seest þou þanne, þat
 feiþ helped² his werkes, & of werkes feiþ was y-broȝt to an
 23 ende; & þe scripture was fulfilled þat seyde, Abraham
 bylened to his God, & it was y-holde to hym for rȝstfulnesse;
 24 & he was y-cleped Godes frend. Ne seo ȝe not þanne þat a
 25 man is y-iustifyed of his werkes, & noȝt of feiþ alone? Also
 Raab þe hore ne was noȝt heo y-iustifyed of hure werkes,
 vnderfongyng Goddes messyngeres, & letyng heȝ gon out
 26 an oþer weye? & rȝst as þe body is deed wiþ-uten spiryt, so
 feiþ is ded with-uten werkes.

3 1 And³ my breþeren, ne wylne ȝe noȝt to ben y-mad many
 2 maystres, wytyng þat ȝe takeþ þe grettere dom. For we
 offendeþ in many þinges euerychone. & who þat offendip in
 non word, he is a parfyȝt man, & he may wiþ a brydul leden
 3 al þe body aboute. For we putte brydeles⁴ in-to⁵ horses
 mouþes⁶ to maken heȝ assente to ous, and we bereþ aboute
 4 al hure body. And grete schyppes þat beþ y-meued wiþ
 grete wyndes, þei beþ y-turned aboute wiþ a lytul gouernyng,
 5 whydur þat he wole þat is gouernour of þe schypp. And so
 þe tonge is a lytul membre, bote he arereþ up grete þinges.
 6 And lo, how lytul a fuyr wole brennen up a gret wode! &
 þe tonge is fuyr & uniuersyte of wikkednesse; & þe tonge is
 y-set in oure membres, þat defouleþ al þe body; & heo is
 y-tend of þe fuyr of helle, & tendeþ þe wheol of⁷ oure
 7 natyuyte. For eferich kynde of bestes, of bryddes, of eddres,
 8 & of alle oþer, beþ y-temed of mankynde, bote þe tonge no
 man may temen; for it is a wicked þing, & wiþ-uten reste,
 9 & ful of dedlyche venym. In þe tonge we blessep⁸ God þe
 Fader; & in hure we curseþ men, þat beþ y-mad after þe
 10 ymage of God: of þe same mouþ passeþ forþ blessyng &

¹ y om. P.² helpeþ P.³ fol. 22. C= S= in the margin, S.⁴ brydeles repeated in margin, 1st corrector's hand, S.⁵ fol. 25^b P.⁶ the two first strokes of m on erasure, S.⁷ of added above line in

a later hand. An e in the margin, S.

⁸ blessed P.

currynge. My breperen, it byhouep noȝt þat it be y-don þus. Wheper þer sprynge out of hol a¹ welle þat welleþ bope 11 suete watyr & bytter watyr? & my breperen, wheper a 12 fyge-tre mowe brynge forþ grapes, oþer a vyne fyges? so salt water may maken no fresch watyr². Who is a wys man & a 13 wel y-tauȝt³ man a-mong ȝow? schewe he of his good conner-sacyoun his worchynge in goodnesse of wysdom. & ȝef ȝe⁴ 14 haueþ⁵ bytter hate & stryuynges⁶ in' ȝoure hertes, ne ioȝe ȝe noȝt to ben lyerys aȝeyn trewþe. For þis wysdom ne 15 comeþ not doun from a-boue, bote it is an erpelyche wysdom, & a⁷ bestysch wydom, & þe⁸ defeles wysdom. For þer is 16 hate & stryuynges⁹, þer is vnstabelnesse & eferych schrewyd¹⁰ werk. Bote þe wysdom þat is of a-bouen heo is furst chaste, 17 & seþþe discret, & temperat, pesybel, and blepelyche wole be conseyled, & assentyng to goode þinges, ful of mercy & of goode fruytys, demynge wiþoute symulacyoun. & þe fruyt of 18 ryȝtfulnesse is y-sowen in pees to þilke þat doþ peea.

And¹¹ of whennes beþ þe batayles & þe stryuynges þat beþ 4 a-mong ȝow? ne beþ þei noȝt of ȝoure coueytyses þat beþ in ȝoure membres? ȝe coueyteþ, & ȝe ne haueþ noȝt: ȝe sleþ¹², & ȝe hateþ, & ȝe mowe noȝt geten: ȝe stryueþ¹³ & ȝe werreþ; ȝe ne haueþ noȝt, for ȝe ne axeþ noȝt. ȝe axeþ, & ȝe ne vnder- 3 fongeþ noȝt, for ȝe axeþ in yuel manere, as ȝe scheweþ openlyche in ȝoure coueytynges. ȝe spousbrekeres, ne knowe 4 ȝe noȝt þat þe frendschype of þis world¹⁴ is enemy to God? & þerfore, who euere þat wol ben frend of þis world, he schal ben y-mad Goddes enemy. What wene ȝe? þat scripture 5 seȝe in veyn, þat þe spiryt þat is in ȝow coueyteþ¹⁵ to enuȝe. Bote he ȝeueþ þe more grace. & þerfore he say¹⁶, God aȝeyn-6 stondeþ proude men, & ȝeueþ grace to humel men. & þerfore 7 be ȝe suȝet to God; & aȝeynstonde ȝe þe deuēl, & he schal fleen a-wey from ȝow. Come ȝe nyȝ to God, & he wole 8 neȝȝleche to ȝow: ȝe synful men, make ȝe clene ȝoure honden;

¹ of a P, of in margin, 1st corr. S. ² fol. 22^b S. ³ a crossed through, S. ⁴ on erasure, S. he P. ⁵ fol. 26 P. ⁶ streynynges P.
⁷ of P. ⁸ om. P. ⁹ streynynges P. ¹⁰ schrede P. ¹¹ C=4= in the margin, early hand, S. ¹² ȝe sleþ repeated in margin, 1st corr. S.
¹³ streynep P. ¹⁴ word P. ¹⁵ fol. 26^b P. ¹⁶ fol. 23 S.

9 & 3e þat beþ of droubel soule, make 3e clene 3oure hertes. Be
 3e sory, & make 3e waymentacion: & be 3oure law3wynge
 y-turnyd in-to srewynge, & 3oure ioye in-to drerynesse¹.
 10 & be 3e y-humeled in þe syt of oure Lord, & he wole arere 3ou
 11 vp yn tyme of trybulacion². And my breþeren, ne bakbyte
 3e no3t eferychone to oþer: for who þat bakbyteþ his broþer,
 oþer demeþ his broþer³, he bakbyteþ þe lawe, & demeþ þe
 lawe: & 3ef þou demest þe lawe, þou ne art not a doer of þe
 12 lawe, bote a domes-man. And þer is ou þat is makere of þe
 lawe & domes-man, þat may boþe sauē & distroye: & what
 13 art þou þat demest þi nexte neygebore? And lo, now 3e
 seye⁴, We schuleþ gon to day oþer to morewe in-to þat cyte,
 & þere we woleþ abyden a 3er, & chaffaren, & wyne muche:
 14 & 3e ne wyteþ no3t what schal fallen a-morewe. For what is
 3oure lyf? A breþ þat scheweþ hym-seluen a lytel whyles, &
 15 soone þer-aftur it is ydon. & þer-fore seye 3e, 3ef God wole,
 16 &, 3ef we lyfeþ⁵, we woleþ don þis oþer þat. Bote now 3e
 17 ioyeþ in 3oure pruydes, & eferich such ioye is wikked. And
 þerfore who þat can do wel, & doþ no3t wel, it is synne to
 hym.

5 And⁶ 3e riche men⁷, wepe 3e & make 3e sorewe in þe
 2 wrecchydnessys þat schuleþ come to 3ow her-after. 3oure
 rycchesse beþ y-roted, & 3oure cloþes beþ⁸ y-eten of mowþes⁹.
 3 3oure gold and 3oure seluer is y-rousted; & þe roust of hem
 schal ben in wytnesse to 3ow & ete 3oure flesch as fuyr. 3e
 4 tresoureþ to 3ow-self wrappe in þe laste dayes. & þe mede of
 3oure werk-men þat han y-repe 3oure kyndomes, þat 3e haueþ
 bygyled hem of, cryeþ an hi3: & hure cryynge haþ y-entred¹⁰
 5 in-to þe eres of oure Lord of Sabaoth. 3e habbeþ y-mad
 festes up-on þe erþe, & 3e habbeþ y-noresched 3oure hertes in
 6 leccheryes in þe day of slau3t. 3e han y-bro3t forþ &
 7 y-slawen þe ry3tful man, & he ne a3eynstondeþ 3ow no3t. &¹¹
 þerfore, briþeren, be 3e pacyent to þe comynge of God. For

¹ dreynesse P. ² yn tyme of trybulacion in margin, 1st corr. S. om. P.

³ his broþer om. P.

⁴ 3e seye on erasure. Nota in the margin S.

⁵ fol. 27 P.

⁶ C^m 5^m in the margin, early hand, S.

⁷ ryche men

repeated in the margin, 1st corrector, S.

⁸ fol. 23^b S.

⁹ mowþes P.

¹⁰ y om. P.

¹¹ fferia 4^a in pale ink in margin, S.

lo, an erpe-tylyere abydeþ þe prœcyous fruyt of þe erpe, & suffreþ pacyentlyche, forte he vnderfonge schoures þat perteneþ to þe tyme, & efetydes schourea. & be 3e pacyent, & 3 confermeþ 3oure hertes, for þe comynge of God wol neyrlachen. And¹ breþeren, ne make 3e noȝt waymentacyous to-gedere, 9 þat 3e ben noȝt y-demed: for lo, þe domes-man abydeþ tofore þe ȝate. & briþeren, take 3e eusampel of an efel ȝaſew, 10 & of longe² abydyng, & of pacyence, & of trafayl, of prophetes þat han y-spoken in þe name of oure Lord. & þei han 11 y-seyd, þat þei beþ y-blessed þat habep y-suffred & abyde. And 3e habbeþ y-herd þe suffryng & þe abydyng of Iob, & 3e han y-seye þe ende of oure Lord: for he is merciful & doþ mercy³. And tofore alle þinges, my dereste briþeren, ne 12 swere 3e noȝt by hefne, ne by erpe, ne be non oþer op: bote be⁴ 3oure word 3e, 3e, & nay, nay; þat 3e ne falle noȝt vnder dom. 3ef any of 3ow is sory, preye he⁵, & synge he⁶ wiþ an 13 efene soule. And 3ef eny man is seek a-mong 3ow, bryng 3e 14 in prestes of þe churche, & preyen þei up-on hym, & anoynteþ hym wiþ oyle in þe name of oure Lord: & þe 15 preyere of byleue schal saue þe sek man, and oure Lord wole maken hym lyȝtere of his sekenesse; & 3ef he is in synnes, þei schuleþ ben forȝeuen⁷ hym. And þefore knowleche 3e 16. 3oure synnes eferychone to oþer, & preye 3e for oþer, þat 3e ben y-saued. For mucche worþ is a bysy preyere of a⁸ riȝtful man. Helye was a man lyche to 3ow, & he preyed þat it 17 schulde noȝt reyne upon þe erpe; & it reyned⁹ noȝt þre ȝer & sixe moneþes. Eftsones he preyed; & hefne 3ef his reyn, & 18 þe erpe his fruyt. My briþeren, ȝif eny of 3ow erre from 19 trewþe, & eny man turne hym aȝeyn; he schal vnderstonde, 20 þat who þat makeþ a synful man turnen hym from þe errour of his weye, he schal sauen his soule from deþ, & keuereþ þe multytude of synnes. Deo gracias.

¹ fol. 27^b P.² a longe P.³ nota in the margin, B.⁴ fol. 24, Heading Johannis, B.⁵ 3e P.⁶ forȝen P. nota in the

margin, B.

⁷ om. P.⁸ fol. 28 P.

I. JOHN.

- 1 þat¹ þing þat was from þe bygynnyng, þat we habbeþ
 y-herd, & y-seyen wiþ oure yzen, & byholden, [and]² oure
 2 honden habbeþ y-touched of þe word of lyf, & þe lyf was
 openlyche y-schewed, & we han y-seyen it, & we bereþ
 wytnesse þer-of, & we scheweþ to 3ow an eferlastyng lyf þat
 3 was at þe Fader, & haþ appered to ous; & þat þing þat we
 habbeþ y-seye and y-herd we scheweþ to 3ow, þat 3e han
 feloschype wiþ us³: & þat þe felauschype be wiþ þe Fader &
 4 Iesu Crist his sone. And we wryteþ þese þinges to 3ow, þat
 5 3e ioien, & þat 3oure ioie be ful. & þis is oure tellynge þat
 we han yherd of hym & þat we scheweþ to 3ow: for God is
 6 lyzt, & in hym ne beþ no derknesse. And 3ef we seye þat we
 han feloschype wiþ hym, & walkeþ in derknesse, we lyeþ, &
 7 doþ no trewþe: & 3ef we walkeþ in lyzt, as he is in lyzt, we
 han felowschupe⁴ to-gydere, & þe blood of Iesu Crist his sone
 8 clansyþ ous of eferich synne. & 3ef we seye þat we ne haueþ
 no synne, we bygyleþ ous-selfe, & trewþe ne is nozt in⁵ ous.
 9 3ef we knowlecþeþ oure synnes, he is trewe⁶ and ryztful to
 forgeuen ous oure synnes, & to clensen ous of euerich wikked-
 10 nesse⁷. & 3ef we seye þat we ne haueþ nozt y-synned, we
 makeþ hym a gabber, & his word ne is nozt dwellynge in
 2 1 ous. My⁸ smale chyldren, þese þynges y wryte to 3ou, þat 3e⁹
 synne nozt. And 3ef þat eny man synneþ, we haueþ an
 2 aduoket to-fore þe Fadur, Iesu Crist þat is riztful: & he is
 þe forzeueneþe of oure synnes; nozt onlyche for ouren, bote
 3 for al þe worldes. And in þis we¹⁰ wyteþ wel þat we¹¹ haueþ
 4 y-knowen hym, 3ef we kepeþ his hestes. Who þat seiþ þat
 he knoweþ God, and¹² kepeþ nozt his hestes, he is a lyer, &
 5 trewþe ne is nozt in hym. Bote who þat kepeþ his word,
 soþlyche, in hym is þe charyte of God parfyt. & in þis we
 6 knoweþ þat we beþ in hym: & who þat seiþ þat he dwelleþ

¹ pistola 1^a in the margin, P. ion, C^m 1^m in an early hand in the margin, S. ² in S.P. ³ fol. 24^b; the facing pages are headed

Jo-hannis throughout, S. ⁴ fol. 28^b P. ⁵ scrip P. ⁶ trewþe P.

⁷ First k on erasure, S. ⁸ No division in the mss. ⁹ om. P. ¹⁰ 3e P.

¹¹ e in the margin, S.

in hym, he mote walken as he walked. My dereste breþeren, 7
y ne wryte noȝt to ȝou a newe comaundement, bote an old
comaundement þat¹ ȝe hadden from þe bygynnyng: þe olde
comaundement is² þe word þat ȝe haueþ y-herd. & y wryte 8
to ȝow a newe comaundement, þat is trewe boþe in hym & in
ȝow; for derknesse beþ now y-passed, & verrey lyst schyneþ
nowþe. Who þat seiþ þat he is in lyst, & hateþ his broþer, 9
he is ȝet in derknesse. & who þat loueþ his broþer dwelleþ 10
in lyst, & in hym is no sclandre. Bote who þat hateþ his 11
broþur he is in derknesse, & walkeþ in derknesse, & he ne
wot noȝt whyderward he goþ, for derknesse haþ y-blend his
yȝen.

My³ smale chyldren, y wryte to ȝow, for ȝoure synnes 12
beþ forȝeuen to ȝou in þe name of Crist. Y wryte⁴ to ȝow, 13
fadres, for ȝe habbeþ y-knowen hym þat is from þe
bygynnyng. Y wryte to ȝow, ȝonglynges, for ȝe habbeþ
ouercome hym þat is wykked. Y wryte to ȝou, ȝonge
chyldren, for ȝe habbeþ y-knowe þe Fader. Y wryte to ȝou, 14
fadres, for ȝe habbeþ y-knowen hym þat is from þe bygyn-
nyng. Y wryte to ȝou, ȝonge men, for ȝe beþ stronge, & þe
word of God dwelleþ in ȝow, & ȝe habbeþ ouercome hym þat
is wykked. And ne⁵ loue ȝe noȝt þe world, ne þynges þat beþ 15
in þe world. For who þat loueþ þe world, þe charyte of þe
Fader ne⁶ is noȝt in hym. For al þinge þat is in þe worlde, 16
oþer it is coueytyse of yȝen, oþer coueytyse of þe fleesch, oþer
pryde of lyuyng, þat ne⁷ beþ noȝt of þe Fader, bote of þe
world. & þe⁸ world schal passe, & his coueytyse: bote who 17
þat doþ þe wyll of God he dwelleþ efere-more. My smale 18
chyldren, now is þe laste hour; &⁹ ȝe habbeþ y-herd þat
Antecrist is y-come, & now þer beþ y-mad¹⁰ many Antecristes;
& þerfore we wyteþ þat þis is þe laste houre. From ous þei 19
passeden, bote þei ne were noȝt of ous; for ȝef þei hadden
y-ben of ous, þei wolden haue dwelled styлле wiþ ous: bote in
þis it is openlyche y-schewed þat þei beþ noȝt of ous. Bote 20

¹ fol. 25 S. ² fol. 29 P. ³ C^m 2^m in the margin, S. ⁴ ry on
erasure, S. ⁵ ne expunged, S. ⁶ ne expunged, S. fol. 29^b P.
⁷ ne expunged, S. ⁸ om. P. ⁹ as in the margin, marked to be inserted
before ȝe, 1st corrector's hand, S. om. P. ¹⁰ fol. 25^b S.

3e habbeþ an-oyntyng^e of þe Holy Spiryte, & knoweþ alle
 21 þinges. Y ne haue nozt y-wryte to 3ou as to hem þat knoweþ
 nozt þe trewþe, bote as to hem þat knoweþ þe trewþe, & for
 22 þat eueryche lesyng ne is nozt of trewþe. Who is a lyer, bote
 he þat seiþ þat Iesu ne is nozt Crist? He is Antecrist, þat
 23 denyeþ boþe þe Fader & þe Sone. For who þat denyeþ þe
 Sone, he ne¹ haþ nozt þe Fader; & who þat knowlecheþ þe
 24 Sone, he haþ þe Fader. & leteþ þat dwelle stille in 3ow þat
 3e habbeþ y-herd from þe bygynnyng^e, 3e schuleu dwelle boþe
 25 in þe² Sone & in þe Fader. & þis is þe byheste þat he haþ
 byhoten 3ow, þat³ he wol 3euen 3ow an eserlastyng^e lyf.
 26 þese þinges ich haue⁴ y-wryte to 3ow, of þilke þat bygyleþ⁵
 27 3ow. & þilke anoyntyng^e þat 3e han vnderfongen of hym
 dwelle styлле in 3ow, & 3e ne haueþ no nede þat any man
 teche 3ow; bote riȝt as þe anoyntyng^e of hym techeþ 3ou in
 alle þinges, & it is trewe, & no lesyng^e, & riȝt so as ich haue
 28 y-tauȝt 3ow, dwelle 3e in hym. And now, my smale children,
 dwelle 3e in hym; þat, whan he appereþ, we han a trust, &
 29 þat we ne⁶ ben nozt y-schend of hym in⁷ his comyng^e. & as
 3e wyteþ þat he is ryȝtful, so wyte 3e wel þat he þat doþ
 riȝtfulnesse is y-boren of hym.

3 And⁸ y-se 3e, what charyte þe Fader haþ y3euen ous, þat
 we ben y-cleped Goddes sones, & ben Goddes sones. & þer-
 fore þe world ne knoweþ nozt ous⁹, for he ne knewe nozt hym.
 2 My dereste breþeren, now we beþ Goddes children, bote it is
 nozt ȝet y-sene what we schuleþ ben. For we wyteþ wel,
 whan þat he appereþ we schuleþ be lyche to hym; for we
 3 schuleþ y-sen hym riȝt as he is. & euerych man þat haþ þis
 4 hope haleweþ hym-selfe, riȝt as he is holy. And euriȝhe¹⁰
 man þat doþ synne & wikkednesse: he is boþe synne &
 5 wykkednesse. & 3e wyteþ þat he appered to don a-wey
 6 synne; & in hym ne is no synne. & who þat dwelleþ in hym
 ne synneþ nozt: & who þat synneþ¹⁰ ne knoweþ nozt God,
 7 ne sey nozt God. My smale chyl dren, no man bygyle 3ow:
 8 who þat doþ riȝtfulnesse is riȝtful, as he is riȝtful⁹: & who þat

¹ ne expunged, S. ² om. P. ³ & þat P. ⁴ fol. 30 P. ⁵ byleueþ P.
 nota in the margin, S. ⁶ ne dotted out in black ink, S. ⁷ fol. 26 S.
⁸ C= 3= in the margin, S. ⁹ an e in the margin, S. ¹⁰ fol. 30^b P.

dop synne he is of þe deuel; for from þe bygynnyng þe deuel synnep. And in þis appered Godes Sone, to vndon þe werkes of þe deuel. And euerich man þat is y-boren of God⁹ ne¹ dop no synne, for þe seed of God dwelleþ in hym: & he ne may nojt synne, for he is y-boren of God¹. And in þis beþ 10 openlyche y-schewed boþe Goddes chyl dren & þe deueles children: euerich man þat is nojt rjstful ne is nojt of God, ne he þat loueþ nojt his² broþer. For þis is þe tellynge þat 3e 11 habbeþ y-herl³ from þe bygynnyng, þat 3e⁴ louen to-gydere: nojt as Caym þat was wykked & slouþ his broþer. And 12 herfore he slouþ hym, for his werkes weren wykkel, & his broþeres werkes weren goode. And⁵ ne wondre 3e nojt þouþ þe 13 world hate 3ou. For we wyteþ þat we beþ y-translated from 14 deþ to lyf, for þat we loueþ oure breþeren. Who þat loueþ nojt he duelleþ in deþ. Euerich man þat hateþ his broþer he 15 is a mansleer: & 3e wyteþ þat euerich mansleer ne haþ nojt an euerlastyng lyf dwellynge in hym. & in þis we habbeþ 16 y-knowe þe charite of God, for he putte his soule for ous: & we oweþ to putten oure soules for oure breþeren. Who⁶ þat 17 haþ þe substaunce of þis world, & seþ his broþer haue nede: 3ef he closeþ⁷ his in-wardnesse from his broþer, how dwelleþ þe charite of God in hym? My lytul chyl dren, ne loue we 18 nojt in word, ne in tonge; bote in werk & in trewþe. In þis 19 we⁸ knoweþ þat we beþ of⁹ trewþe, & in his syt we scheweþ oure hertes; for 3ef oure herte¹⁰ vndernemeþ ous, God, þat is 20 more þan oure herte, he knoweþ alle þinges. My dereste 21 breþeren, 3ef oure¹¹ herte vndernymeþ ous not¹², we han a truste in God; and what-euere we axeþ of hym, we schuleþ 22 vnderfongen of hym, for þat we kepeþ his hestes, & dop þilke þinges þat beþ plesyng to-foren hym. & þis is þe comaunde- 23 ment of God, þat we byleuen in þe name of his sone Iesu Crist, & þat we louen togydere, as he haþ y-3efen¹³ ous a comaundement. & who þat kepeþ his comaundementys 24

¹ ne dop no synne...y boren of God om. P.² is P.³ fol. 26^b B.⁴ we P. ⁵ an e in the margin, B.⁶ fol. 31 P.⁷ 3e P.⁸ of of P.⁹ herte repeated in the margin, 1st corrector, B.¹⁰ 3ours P.¹¹ not in

the margin, 1st corrector's hand, B.

¹² fol. 27 B.

dwelleþ in hym, & he in hym. & in þis we knoweþ þat he dwelleþ in ous, for þe spiryt þat he haþ y-zeuen ous.

- 4 My¹ dereste breþeren, ne leue 3e noȝt euerych spiryt², bote prefeþ þe spirytes, wheþer þei ben of God: for many false
 2 prophetes beþ y-gon in-to þe worlde. In þis þe spiryt of God is y-knowe: euerych spiryt þat knowlecheþ þat Iesu Crist
 3 come³ into flesch he is of God: & euerych spiryt þat vndof Crist ne is noȝt of God: & þis is Antecrist, of⁴ whom 3e han
 4 y-herd þat he schal come; & now he is in þe world. Bote my smale chyldren, 3e beþ of God, & 3e han ouercome hym:
 5 for he þat is in 3ow is gretter þan he þat is in þe world. Þei beþ of þis worlde, & þerfore þei spekeþ of þe⁵ world, & þe
 6 world y-hereþ hem. Bote we beþ of God: & who þat knoweþ God y-hereþ ous; & who þat is noȝt of God he ne hereþ ous noȝt.
 7 In þis we han y-knowe þe spiryt of treweþe, & þe spiryt of errour. My dereste breþeren, loue we to-gydere: for
 charyte is of God; & euerych man þat loueþ is y-boren of
 8 God, & knoweþ God. Pilke þat loueþ noȝt ne knoweþ noȝt
 9 God; for God is charyte. In þis appered þe charyte of God in ous:
 10 for God sende his one⁶ bygeten sone in-to þis world, þat we lyfen by hym.
 11 In þis is charyte, noȝt as þouȝ we haden y-loued God, bote for he loued ous furst, & sende his
 12 sunne to ben forȝeuenesse of oure⁷ synnes. My dereste breþeren,
 13 3ef God loued ous, þanne moten we louen to-gydere. No man haþ y-sey
 14 God: 3ef we loueþ to-gydere, God is in ous, & þe charyte of God is parfyt in ous.
 15 In þis we knoweþ þat we dwelleþ in hym, for he haþ y-zeuen ous of his
 16 Spyryt; & we han y-seyn & bereþ wytnesse, þat þe Fader haþ y-send
 17 his sone Sauyours of þe world. Who-euere þat knowlecheþ þat⁸ Iesu
 18 is Goddes sone, God dwelleþ in hym, & he in God. And we han y-knowe
 & bylcueþ þe charite þat God haþ in ous. God is charite; & who
 þat duelleþ in charyte dwelleþ in God, & God in hym. In þis is
 charite parfyt in ous, þat we han trust in þe day of dome; for ryȝt
 as he is we beþ in þis world. Drede ne is noȝt in charyte: bote parfyt

¹ C^m *ir* in the margin, S. ² *spiryte* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

³ om. P.

⁴ fol. 81^b P.

⁵ an *e* in the margin, S.

⁶ *owne* P.

⁷ fol. 27^a S.

⁸ fol. 82 P.

charyte putteþ away drede, for drede haþ peyne; & he þat dredeþ ne is noȝt parfyt in charite. And we loueþ God, for 19 he loued¹ ous raþer. Ȝef eny man seiþ, þat he loueþ God, & 20 hateþ his broþer, he is a lyere: for he þat loueþ noȝt his broþer þat he seiþ, how may he² loue God þat he seiþ noȝt? & þis³ comaundement we han of God, þat he þat loueþ God 21 loue also his broþer.

Euerich⁴ man þat byleueþ þat Iesu Crist is, he is y-boren 5 of God: & euerich man þat loueþ hym þat haþ bygeten loueþ hym þat is y-boren of God. In þis we knoweþ þat we loueþ 2 hem þat beþ y-boren of God, when þat we loueþ God, & kepeþ his hestes. & þis is þe charyte of God, þat we kepen 3 his comaundementes: & his comaundementes ne beþ noȝt heuy. For euerych þing⁵ þat is y-boren of God ouercomeþ þe 4 world: & þis is þe victorie þat ouercomeþ þe world, oure seiþ. & who ouercomeþ þe world, bote he⁶ þat byleueþ þat Iesu is 5 Goddes sone? þes comeþ by þe watyr & þe blod of Iesu 6 Crist; noȝt onlyche in watyr, bote in watyr & in blod. & þe⁷ spyrȝt bereþ wytnesse þat Crist is trewþe. For þer beþ þre 7 þat ȝeueþ wytnesse in hefne, þe Fader, & þe Sone, & þe Holy Spyrȝt: & þese þre beþ on. & þer beþ þre þat ȝeueþ 8 wytnesse in erþe, þe Spyrȝt, & blod, & watyr: & þese þre beþ on. & ȝef we han vnderfonge þe wytnesse of 9 men, þe wytnesse of God is muche gretter; & þis is þe wytnesse of God, þat is gretter, for he haþ y-bore wytnesse of his owene Sone. Who þat byleueþ in þe Sone, 10 he haþ þe wytnesse of God in hym-self: who þat byleueþ noȝt in þe Sone, he makeþ God a gabber; for he haþ y-bore wytnesse of his Sone. & þis is þe wytnesse, for God haþ 11 y-ȝeuen ous an euerlastyngȝe lyf, & þis lyf is in his Sone. Who þat haþ Goddes Sone haþ lyf; and who þat haþ noȝt 12 Goddes Sone ne haþ noȝt lyf⁸. þese þinges y wryte to ȝow, 13 þat ȝe knowen þat ȝe han an euerlastyngȝe lyf, ȝe þat byleueþ in þe name of Goddes Sone. & þis is þe trust þat we han to 14

¹ loueþ P.² he in the margin, S.³ þe P.⁴ C^m 5^m in the

margin, S.

⁵ fol. 28 S. In P. man has been erased before þyng.⁶ fol. 32^a P.⁷ þe P.⁸ and who þat haþ noȝt goddes sone ne haþ

noȝt lyf omitted in P.

God, for whateuere we axeþ hym, we schuleþ vnderfongen it
 15 after his wylle, & he wole y-heren ous: & we¹ wyteþ wel þat
 he hereþ ous what-euere we axen hym, for we han oure
 16 axinges þat² we axeþ of hym. Who þat knoweþ his broþer³
 synne a synne noȝt to þe deþ, preye he. & þer schal ben
 y-graunted lyf to hym þat synneþ noȝt to þe deþ. & þer in
 17 synne to þe deþ: for þat y seye, no man preye. Euerich
 wykkesnesse is synne, & þer is synne þat is noȝt to þe deþ.
 18 We knoweþ wel þat euerych man þat is y-boren of God ne
 synneþ noȝt; bote þe bygetyng of God kepeþ hym, & he þat
 19 is wykkes ne⁴ schal noȝt touchen hym. And we knoweþ wel
 þat we beþ y-boren of God, & þat al þe world is y-set in hym
 20 þat is wykkes. & we knoweþ þat⁵ Goides [sone] com & haþ
 y-jeuen ous a wytt þat we knowen⁶ verrey God, & þat we
 ben in his verrey Sone. Þis is⁷ verrey God, & an euer-
 21 lastyng lyf. My smale children, kepe ȝe ȝow from mawmetes
 & symulacria. Here⁸ endeþ þe furste part of Johnys⁹
 pystelys, and þe secounde part bygynneþ.

II. JOHN.

þe¹ eldere to a chosen lady & to here chyldren, þe whuche
 y loue in soþfastnesse; & not y alone, bote alle þat soþfast-
 2 nesse han knowen²; for þe soþfastnes þat in ȝou dwelleþ, &
 3 wiþ ous schal be wiþ-ouen end. Wiþ ȝou b[e]³ grace, &
 mercy, & pees of God þe Fader, & of Iesu Crist, þe Sone of þe
 4 Fader, in soþfastnesse & charyte. Ych am wel gladud, for y
 haue founde of þi chyldren goyng in soþfastnes⁴, as we haue
 5 taken comaundement of oure Fadur. And now, dame, y
 preye þe, not as wrytyng to þe a newe comaundement, but
 þat we haue had fro þe bygynnyng, þat eche of ous⁵ loue
 6 oþer. & þat is charyte, þat we walken after his comaunde-
 mentys⁶. Þis is soþly þe comaundement, þat ryst as ȝe haue

¹ om. P.² fol. 33 P.³ fol. 28^b. Heading: Johannis ii. 8.⁴ om. P.⁵ þat goddess...we knowen omitted, P.⁶ Here endeþ...

bygynneþ in red ink, P.

⁷ ȝonyes P.⁸ 2^a epistola in the margin of P.MS. D begins here fol. 77^b.⁹ y knowen P.¹⁰ by S.D., be P.¹¹ fol. 33^b P.¹² fol. 29.

Heading: Johannis iii. 8.

¹³ de om. P.

fro þe bygynnyng, þat ȝe in hym schulde goo¹. For² many 7 dysceyneres ȝeden forþ in-to þe world, þat ne knowlecheþ noȝt Iesu Crist in flesch haue come³. He þat soþly is noȝt a-knowe Iesu Crist haue comen in flesch, he is a disceyuere & Antecrist. Takeþ good heede to ȝow-selfe⁴, þat ȝe lese⁵ 8 noȝt þat ȝe han wroȝt, but þat ȝe take ȝoure fulle mede. Wyte ȝe, þat eche þat goþ away & dwelleþ not in þe lore of 9 Crist, he⁶ haþ not God: who-so dwelleþ in his lore, he haþ boþe þe Fader & þe Sone. Who-so comeþ⁷ vnto ȝow, & 10 bryngeþ not wiþ hym þis⁸ lore⁹, ne wyle ȝe¹⁰ not resceyue hym in ȝoure hous¹¹, ne sey not heyl vnto hym: he þat¹² seiþ heyl 11 to¹³ hym, he comuneþ with his wikked werkes¹⁴. Lo, y haue warnid ȝow byfore, þat in þe day of oure¹⁵ Lord ȝe be noȝt confounded. Many þinges y haue to wryte vn-to ȝow, bote y 12 wolde not wryte hem by lettere ne by sendyng: for y suppose me come to ȝow, and speke with ȝow mouþ to mouþ, þat ȝoure ioye be full. Þer greteþ þe wel ȝoure chosen þi 13 suster douȝter. Þe¹⁶ grace of God be with þe. Amen.

III. JOHN.

Þe¹⁷ eldere to dere frend Gayo¹⁸, þe whuche y loue in soþfastnes. Dere frend, of alle þinge y¹⁹ make my preyere in 2 prosperyte þat þou entre & wel-fare²⁰ as þi soule welfareþ. Gretly y am maked ful glad of breþeren þat comeþ & bere 3 wytnes of²¹ þi soþfastnesse, as þou in soþfastnesse gost. More 4 grace haue y noȝt of þise, þan þat y here þat my sones go in soþfastnesse of charyte. My dere frend, seiþfully þou dost 5 what-so þou dost in oure breþeren, (þat is, anentys oure

¹ þat is, brynghe him a-knowe in fulfillyng of his wille follows underlined, D.

² fol. 78 D.

³ þat is, þat he be verrey god & man follows underlined, D.

⁴ ȝoure selfe D.

⁵ lose D.

⁶ he (dotted out) precedes, S.

⁷ not (erased)

follows, D.

⁸ his D.

⁹ þat wile not lerne & fulfille it follows underlined

in red, D.

¹⁰ om. D.

¹¹ Followed by: þat is, receyue him not

underlined, D.

¹² For he þat D. has whoso soþly.

¹³ vnto D.

¹⁴ þat is assentip & is party of hem follows underlined, D.

¹⁵ ȝours P.

¹⁶ fol. 34 S.

¹⁷ epistola 3^a, C^m 1 P.

¹⁸ fren gayod P.

¹⁹ fol. 78^b D.

²⁰ welfare crossed through, D.

²¹ fol. 29^b. Heading: *Johannys in*

later hand, S.

6 breþeren) & þat in pylgrymes, þat bere wytnesse of þi charyte
 in þe syst of holy churche: þe whuche worþily þou ledest to
 7 God þoroȝ þi goode dede. Soply for his name þei yede forþ,
 8 takynge no þing of gentylea. And þerfore suche we schulde
 9 vnderfonge, þat we beþ helperes to soþfastnesse¹. Y had
 wyte peraunter to þe churche: bote he, Diotropes, þat loueþ
 10 to bere prelacye in hem, ne resceyued not ȝow. Perfore, ȝef
 y come, y schal moue his werkes þat he doþ with wykked
 wordes, iangelynge in ȝow: & as þese þinges suffyce not to
 hym, ne he resceyued breþeren, & þei þat resceyueþ hem he
 11 forfendeþ, & putteþ hem out of churche. My dere broþer, no
 be þou not folewere² of³ yuel, but þat þat⁴ good is. Who-so
 doþ wel, he is of God: who-so doþ yuele, he seþ not God⁵.
 12 To Demetrio wytnesse is y-ȝolde of alle goode men, & of
 trewþe: & we bere wytnesse of hym; & þou hast knowe þat
 13 oure wytnesse is trewe⁶. Many þinges y haue to wryte to þe,
 14 bote with lettere y wolde not sende it; For y trowe hastily to
 se þe, & mouþ to mouþ we schul speke. Pees be vn-to þe.
 Þi frendes grete þe wel, & grete þou wel oure frendes by
 name. Here⁷ endeþ þe pystel⁸ of Ion. Here⁹ bygynneþ þe
 pystel of Iude.

JUDE.

Iudas, þe seruaunt of Iesu Crist, soply¹⁰ Iames broþer, to
 hem þat beþ chose in God þe Fader, &¹¹ kept & cleped of
 2 Iesu Crist; mercy vnto ȝow & pees & charite be fulfilled.
 3 Dere frende¹² al¹³ þysynesse y haue don to wryte to¹⁴ ȝow of
 ȝoure comune hele: y haile nede to wryte vnto ȝou;
 preynge¹⁵ stalworþely to stryue aȝeyn synne in upholdynge of
 4 þe seiþ þat [was] on[es]¹⁶ taken to þe seyntes. Soply þer beþ

¹ *et cetera* follows in D, which omits verses 9 and 10.

² *folweres* D.

³ fol. 34^b P.

⁴ at D.

⁵ *seiþ nouȝt of God etc.* Verse 12 om. D.

⁶ *trewþe* P.

⁷ *Here endeþ...of Jude* in red, P.D.

⁸ *pistelis* D.

⁹ fol. 30. Heading: *Jude* in a later hand, S.

¹⁰ *soply* expunged, S. om. P.

¹¹ fol. 79 D.

¹² *frendes* D.

¹³ After *al* erasure of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch, S. *al my* D.

¹⁴ *vnto* D.

¹⁵ *preynge* in the margin, 1st corrector, S. om. D.

¹⁶ In S.

onse with *se* on erasure. P has *owep* (crossed through) with *only* added above the line. *onus* D.

come¹ deceyuable men vnder you², þe whiche weren sum-
 tyme wryten byfore in þis dome of wykked³, ouer-puttyng
 þe grace of oure Lord Iesu Crist, & ȝaf hem vnto leccherye⁴;
 & only hym þat hadde lordschupe & oure Lord Iesu Crist þei
 denyed. Y wole a-moneste you, one[s]⁵ knowynge alle
 þinges; for oure⁶ Lord⁷ Iesus saued þe peple of þe lond of
 Egypte, þe secounde tyme hem þat trowed not he loste⁸. Þe
 6 aungel soþly þat kepte not his princehede & his comaunde-
 mentes⁹, bote forsake his hous¹⁰, in þe grete dome of God,
 with euerlastyng bondys vnder derkenesse he locked hym.
 On þe same wyse þei synned in fornycacyoun, as dyde Sodom⁷
 & Gomorre & þe cytee of¹¹ synnyng; & after oþer flesch þei
 ȝeden away¹²; þei beþ ensample to suffre peyne of euer-
 lastyng fuyr. On þe¹³ same wyse þei þat soþly þer flesch⁸
 defouled, despysyng God here Lord, & soþly his mageste þei
 blasphem[me]¹⁴. Whan Mychael þe archaungel, disputyng
 9 wiþ þe deuyl, fel at stryf of Moyses body, he durste¹⁵ not putte
 up-on hym þe dome of blasphemye¹⁶, bote seyde, God ouer-
 come þe¹⁷. Soþly¹⁸ what-so-euere þei¹⁹ knoweþ not²⁰ þei blas-
 10 pheme: soþly what-so-euere²¹ kyndely, as vnreasonable bestes
 knoweþ²², in þise dedes þei beþ corrupted²³.

Wo to hem þat ȝeden in þe weye of Caym, & with errour¹¹
 of Balaam beþ ȝote oute þorou mede²⁴, and þorou þe ȝeyn-

¹ sumtyme, crossed out, follows, S. *schul come sum tyme* D. ² D adds:
as þei were religious & hadde take þe feiþ underlined. ³ *þat is, þorou*
prophetis it was tolde & wryte þat suche wikked schulde come as I it vnder-
stonde follows underlined, D. ⁴ *þat is, þei leste þe grace of god & ȝaf hem*
to leccherye & oþer lustus underlined, D. ⁵ P.D; one changed into *onas*
 by a later hand, S. ⁶ fol. 85 P. ⁷ *louerd* D. ⁸ *þat is, suffered*
hem to be lost follows underlined, D. ⁹ *& his comaundementis* underlined
 in D. ¹⁰ *hous euesyng* D. ¹¹ om. D. An *e* in the margin, S. Cf.
Vulgate: et finitime civitates. ¹² *þat is, astur wommans flesche & mannys*
 follows underlined on fol. 79^b, D. ¹³ om. P. ¹⁴ P; me left out, S.
¹⁵ fol. 80^b S. ¹⁶ *blaspheme* in D, followed by *þat is, ȝeue þe dome of*
blaspheme underlined. ¹⁷ *or comaunde þe* added underlined, D. ¹⁸ *soþly*
þei D. ¹⁹ D. reads *þei be þat knoweþ not Crist.* ²⁰ *who so euere* D.
²¹ *knoweth not.* Then underlined, *þat is, whoso doþ his synne as þe bestus*
done, & leueþ þe doynge of man, & wile not knowe it, D. ²² Followed by
þat is (underlined) defouled, D. C^m *ii* in the margin, P. ²³ *þat is, haue*
assentyd to erreure for mede follows underlined, D.

12 seyenge of Chore þei peryscheden¹. Þese it beþ þat in here
 metis beþ defouled, in feestyng, fedyng² hem-selue with-
 oute drede: cloude³ with-outen watyr, þat with wyndes beþ
 bore aboute; vnfruytful heruest trees þat no fruyt bereþ,
 13 twyes deede þei ben, & drawen up by þe rootes; þe flodes of
 þe woode⁴ see, spewyng here confusoun; eiryng⁵ sterrea,
 to⁶ þe whuche þe storme of derkenesse⁷ is kept with-outen
 14 ende. Of þese prophecyeþe þe seuene⁸ fro Adam, Ennoch,
 & seyde, Ecce⁹ Dominus venit in sanctis milibus suis etc.
 Lo, oure Lord schal come in his þousandys of his seyntes,
 15 for-to make dome aþeyn alle yuel¹⁰, & forto aresoun¹¹ alle
 wykked of alle þe dedis of here wykkednesse þe whuche
 wykkedly þei wrougte¹², & of alle þe harde wordes þat synful
 16 men & wykked aþeyns God¹³ hane spoken. Þese beþ
 gruccheres¹⁴, pleyntners¹⁵, þat walken aftur here desyres, &
 here mouþ spekeþ pryde, merueylyng persones by cause of
 17 wyynyng¹⁶. 3e sople, my breþeren, haueþ mynde of wordes¹⁷,
 þat beþ byfore spoken of þe posteles¹⁸ of oure Lord Iesu Crist;
 18 þe¹⁹ whuche seyde to 3ow, þat in þe laste tyme schulen come
 bygylours, wandryng after þer desyres in [wykkednesse]²⁰.
 19 Þes ben þei þat departen hem-self best[ys]ch²¹, & han not þe
 20 Holy Gost. 3e sople, my dere breþeren, house 3oure-selven.
 &²² grounde 3ou holyly of verrey feiþ, preyenge in þe Holy
 21 Gost, kepyng 3oure-seluen in þe loue of God, abydyng þe
 22 mercy of oure Lord Iesu Crist in-te euerlastyng lyf. & hem
 23 sople þat be demed blame 3e; saue hem²³ forsoþe, rauyschyng
 hem oute of fyre; hauyng mercy to opere in drede hatyng²⁴
 24 þat foule cote²⁵ þe whuche is fleschly. Sople to hym þat is

¹ þat is, þorow þe same 3eynseyng perischid þei follows underlined, D.

² fol. 35^b P. ³ om. D. ⁴ fol. 80 D. ⁵ þorow D. ⁶ derkenesses D.

⁷ seueneþe D. ⁸ ecce...etc. in red ink, P. Underlined, D. An e in the margin, S. ⁹ reson D. ¹⁰ u in wrougte inserted above the line, S.

¹¹ him D. ¹² playntful of querelys D. Vulgate: murmuratores querulosi.

¹³ þat is, preysyng & worschupyng mennys persones for hauyng, follows underlined, D. ¹⁴ þese wordis D. ¹⁵ apostelus D. ¹⁶ fol. 31 S.

¹⁷ P. in uikdenes in the margin, 1st corrector's hand, S. not in goode relygioun D. Cf. Vulg. in impietibus. ¹⁸ bestlech with lech on erasure in a later hand, S. bestelych P. bestialis D. ¹⁹ fol. 36 P.

²⁰ fol. 80^b D. ²¹ hatyng (crossed through) precedes, D. ²² cyte D.

myȝty to kepe you with-outen synne & for-to ordeyne ȝow by-fore þe syȝt of his glorye, vnsyled in ioye in þe comynge of oure Lord Iesu Crist, only to God oure Sauyours by Iesu 25 Crist, to oure Lord b[e]¹ glorye & worschupe & gret lordschupe & power byfore al þe worlde & now in alle þe workles. Amen².

"Suster, þus hau Cristes princypal apostolus Petur and Iames & Ion & Iude y-wryten to þe pepel, to techen hem how þei schulden lyuen vertuouslyche, in forsakyng þe lykynges of þe worlde & þe lykynges of þe flesch, as Crist techen in þe gospel." "Broþer, y seo wel þat þese aposteles 5 techen þe pepel as Crist techen in þe gospel, bote neþeles, broþer, þese apostelys weren y-ordeynyd to techen þe chyldren of Israel & þe Iewes, & we beþ noȝt of þe chyldren of Israel, for oure auncetres weren³ heþen men þat weren y-turned to byleuen in Crist by Poul þe apostel; & þerfore y preye þe⁴, 10 telle me what manere he tauȝte men to lyue, when he hade y-turned hem from here fals byleue. For sum men seyn þat Crist and his oþer aposteles tauȝten hure parfyt techynge to þe chyldren of Israel, þat God hade raþer y-tauȝt by Moysses & oþer prophetes; & þei seyn þat it is y-nouȝ for ous to 15 byleuen in Crist, & hen y-folewed, & þanne we schulþen ben y-saued. & þerfore, broþer, y preye þe þat þou telle me wheþer þat Poule, þat wes a postel of mys-beleued men, tauȝte hem eny þing ellys þan to byleuen in Crist, & ben y-folewed in his name." "Suster⁵, þou schalt vnderstonde þat 20 Poule wryteþ many epysteles to dyuerse men þat he turned to þe byleue, how þei schulen byleuen, & how þei schulþen lyuen; bote y ne may noȝt at þis tyme wryte to þe alle his pysteles as þei stondeþ; bote naþeles, ȝef it be Goddus wyll, þou schalt habbe hem herastur. Bote suster, þu schalt vnder- 25 stonden þat seynt Poule techen þre þinges in his pysteles: on þing is þat þei byleuen in Iesu Crist, þat is Goddes sone & sauour of mankynde, þat come to saue synful men, þoroȝ grace & þoroȝ mercy, þat byleueþ in hym; & so Seynt Poule

¹ by S.P.D.² MS. D ends here.³ fol. 36^v P.⁴ fol. 31^v S.⁵ eustester S.

techeþ þe pepel þat it is noȝt nedful for cristen men to kepe
 þe poyntes¹ of þe olde lawe, as summe Iewes seyden in his
 tynie to þe pepel, þat þei ne myȝte noȝt ben y-justified of
 hure synnes in byleuyng in Crist, bote ȝef þei kepten
 5 Moyses lawe, as circumsysyoun and suche oþer poyntes of þe
 lawe. Bote seynt Poule techeþ² in his pysteþe þat no man
 was y-justified of his synne by þe lawe. Bote Crist in his
 comyng haþ y-geþen men forȝeueneſſe of hure synnes of his
 fader; & so alle þilke men han forȝ[e]ſneſſe of hure synnes
 10 þat byleueþ in³ Iesu Crist, & so men beþ y-justified of hure
 synnes, þoroȝ grace in byleuyng in Crist, & noȝt þoroȝ
 kepyng þe werkes of þe lawe. For seynt Poule seȝþ þat þe
 lawe ne was but a ſchadewe, þat broȝte no man to per-
 feccyoun. þe þridde þing þat Poule techeþ is how men
 15 ſchulleþ forſake synne in kepyng Cristes lawe of charite,
 & of þis poynt, ſuſter⁴, þoroȝ Goddes grace ich wole telle þe
 what he seiþ in his piſteles, & of þe oþer poyntes when ich
 haue gretter leyſer wiþ þe grace of God⁵."

ROMANS.

- 5 19 Seynt⁶ Poule wryteþ to þe Romaines⁷, & seiþ, Ryȝt as [by]⁸
 þe vnboxumneſſe of on man many men beþ y-maad synful
 men, so by þe boxumneſſe of ou man many men beþ y-maad
 20 riȝtful men. & þe lawe entred in, þat ſinne⁹ were in plente¹⁰;
 but þere as ſunne was in plente, grace was in more plente:
 21 þat, riȝt as ſunne regned in-to deþ, so grace ſchulde regne
 þoroȝ riȝtfulneſſe in-to an enerelaſtyng lyf, by Iesu Crist
 6 1 oure Lord. What þanne ſchulde we ſeye¹¹? Schulle we ȝet
 2 dwelle ſtille in ſunne, þat grace be plenteuous? God forbede.
 For we þat beþ dede to ſunne, how ſchulde we ȝit dwelle
 3 ſtille in ſunne? Bryþeren, wheþer ȝe ne knowe noȝt þat

¹ fol. 37 P. ² fol. 32 S. ³ on P. ⁴ ſuſter nearly effaced, S.

⁵ The reſt of the page and the whole of fol. 32^b are blank, S. ⁶ fol. 37^b P;

fol. 33 S, with heading *romaynes* in the firſt corrector's hand. ⁷ *romanyes* P.

⁸ by inſerted above the line, P. ⁹ ſumme P. ¹⁰ n expunged, S.

¹¹ *W'hat...ſeye* underlined with *Rom.* 6 written in a late hand in the margin, S.

whuche of ous beþ y-baptized in Crist we beþ y-baptized in his deþ? For we beþ y-beryed to-gedere wiþ hym þorow; 4 baptysme in-to deþ: þat ryzt as Crist a-ros up from deþ to lyf þorow; þe blysse of his Fader, ryzt so walke we in a newe manere of lyfyng. And jif we beþ y-plaunted to-geder & 5 i-mad to þe lyknesse of his deþ, we schuleþ ben also to-geder in þe lyknesse of his rysyng azeyn from deþ to lyf: knowyng 6 þis¹ þing, þat oure olde man is crucyfied, þat þe body of sunne be destroyed, þat her-aftur we ne serue nozt to sunne; for he þat dyed is y-iustified from sunne. & jif we beþ dede 7, 8 wiþ Crist, we byleueþ þat we schulleþ lyuen also wiþ² hym; knowyng þat Crist þat aros up from deþ to lyf ne dyed nozt 9 nowþe; ne deþ schal neuere her-after haue lordschupe up-on hym. For þat he dyed ones, he dyed to sunne: but þat he 10 lyueþ, he lyueþ to God. & so trowe 3e, þat 3e þowself been 11 dede to sunne & lyuyng to God in oure³ Lord Iesu Crist. & þefore ne⁴ regne þere no sunne in þoure dedlyche body, 12 þat 3e ben boxum to his coueytynges; & ne 3eue 3e nozt 13 þoure membris to ben armer of wikkednesse to sunne; but 3efes þow-selsen to God as lyuyng men of dede men, & þoure membrys armer of ryztfulnesse to God. For sunne ne schal 14 nozt haue lordschupe in þow her-aftur: for 3e beþ nozt vnder lawe, but vnder grace. What þanne? Schulle we don 15 sunne, for we beþ nozt vnder lawe but vnder grace? God forbede. Wheþer 3e ne knowes nozt, þat to hym þat 3e 3efes 16 þow-selsen to ben seruautes, to ben buxum to hym, his seruautes 3e beþ to whom 3e beþ boxum; wheþer it be of sunne to deþ, oþer of boxumnesse to ryztfulnesse. & I þonke 17 God, þat 3e habbeþ y-ben seruautes of sunne, but nowþe 3e han obeysched of herte in-to þat forme of techyng, þat 3e beþ now y-take to; & 3e beþ y-maad fre of sunne & 18 seruauntis of ryztfulnesse. Y seye⁵ þing þat parteyneþ to inan 19 for þe infirmite of þoure flesche: for ryzt as 3e han y-3efen þoure membres for-to serfen to⁶ vncleynesse & to wickednesse in-to sunne: so 3eueþ 3e nowþe þowre membres for-to seruen to ryztfulnesse in-to holyne. For whanne 3e weren seruauntis 20

¹ þis twice S.P. ² fol. 38 P. ³ þoure P. ⁴ fol. 33^b Heading:
Romans in a late hand throughout, S. ⁵ seyen S.P. ⁶ fol. 38^b P.

21 of sunne, ze weren fre of rijtfulnesse. What fruyt had ze
 22 þanne in þilke þinges, in þe whuche þinges ze beþ aschamed
 23 nowþe? for þe ende of hem is deþ. But nowþe ze beþ
 y-maad fre of sunne, and seruauntes to God, & ze han ȝoure
 23 fruyt holynesse, & þe ende þerof an euerlastynge lyf. For þe
 mede of sunne is deþ; but þe grace of God is an euerlastynge
 lyf in Iesu Crist oure Lord.

7 1 Wheþer¹ ze ne knoweþ noȝt, breþeren, for to þilke þat
 knoweþ þe lawe y speke, for as longe as a man lyfep
 2 þe lawe haþ lordschupe on hym. For a womman þat is
 vnder here housbonde whyles þat hure housbonde lyfep heo²
 is y-bounde to þe lawe; but ȝif hure housbonde be deed, he
 3 is delyuered from þe lawe of hure housbonde. þanne, whyles
 hure housbonde lyfep, he schal be cleped a spousebrekers
 ȝif he be wiþ an oþer man: bote ȝif hure housbonde be
 ded, heo is delyfered from þe lawe of hure housbonde, þat
 heo³ ne⁴ be noȝt y-cleped a spousebrekere, þauȝ heo⁵ be wiþ
 4 an oþer man. & so, breþeren, ze beþ y-maad ded to þe lawe
 by þe body of Crist; þat ze ben of anoþer þat ros up from
 5 deþ to lyfe, þat ze schulden make⁶ fruyt to God. For whan
 we weren in þe flesch, þe passyones of sunnes, þat weren
 þoroȝ þe lawe, wroȝten in oure membres þat we schulden
 6 make oure fruyt to [deþ]⁷. Bote we beþ now vnbounden
 from þe lawe of deþ in whom we weren y-holden, so þat
 we serfen in þe neweschupe of þe spyryt, & noȝt in þe
 7 oldenesse of þe letter. What schulle we seye þanne? þe
 lawe is sunne? God forbede. But y⁸ knewe no sunne bote
 þoroȝ þe lawe: for y knew noȝt coueytise, bote for as muche
 8 as þe lawe sayde, þou ne schalt not coueyte: & so in takynge
 an occasyon by þe comaundement of þe lawe, sunne haþ
 y-wroȝt in me eferiche couetyse: for wiþ-ouren lawe sunne
 9 was ded. & ych lefed sumtyme wiþ-ouren lawe: bote
 whanne⁷ þat þe comaundement of þe lawe was y-come, sunne
 10 lyfed aȝeyn, bote ich was ded; & so þe comaundement, þat
 11 was y-founde to lyf, it was to þe deþ: for in takynge an

¹ fol. 34 S.² ȝe P.³ om. P.⁴ fol. 39 P.⁵ om. S.P.⁶ we crossed through and y added above the line, P.

crossed through, P.

⁷ bote whanne

occasyon¹ sunne þorow; þe comaundement bygyled me, & þorow it slouȝ me. & so ȝit þe lawe is holy, & þe comaundement holy, & riȝtful, & good. What þanne, þat þing þat was 13 good to me it was y-maad deþ? God forbede. But sunne, þat² it seme s[un]ne, þor[ow] þat þing þat was] good wroȝte deþ to me: þat[sunne] be [y-]made [sunge] abo[u]e maner³ þorow þe comaundement. & we knoweþ þat þe lawe is 14 spyrytual⁴: & ich fleschlyche [&]⁵ sold⁶ vnder sunne. For þat 15 þing þat ich worche, y ne vnderstonde noȝt: for þat þing þat is good & þat ich haue wille to⁷, þat y ne do noȝt; bote þat þing þat is yfel & þat ich haue y-hated, þat ich do. And ȝif 16 ich do þat þing þat y wole noȝt do, ich assente to þe lawe þat he[u] is⁸ good. Bote now y ne worche it noȝt, bote þe 17 sunne þat dwelleþ in me. For I wot wel þat it dwelleþ noȝt 18 in me, þat is to seye, in my flesche, þat þing þat is good: & so wille falleþ to me, bote y ne fynde noȝt to parforme þat þing þat is good. For þat good þat ich wolde, y ne do noȝt: 19 bote þat efel þat y nolde noȝt⁹, þat y do. & ȝif y do þat þing 20 þat y nole noȝt, y ne worche noȝt¹⁰ þat¹¹, bote þe¹² sunne þat dwelleþ in me. & þerfore y fynde a lawe to me þat wol do 21 good, for eȝyl falleþ to me¹³. & ich haue delyt to þe lawe of 22 good aftur myn in-ward man: bote y seo an oþer lawe in my 23 membres, þat aȝeynstoudeþ þe lawe of my þoȝt, & makeþ me y-take in þe lawe of sunne þat is in my membrea. & who 24 schal delyuere me þat am an vncely man from þe body of þis deþ? þe grace of God þorow oure Lord Iesu Crist. & þerfore 25 ich my-selfe serfe in my þoȝt to þe lawe of God; & in my flesche to þe lawe of sunne.

And¹⁴ þerfore þer ne is¹⁵ no þing of dampnacyon to þese þat 8 beþ in Iesu Crist, þat walkeþ noȝt after þe flesche. For þe 2

¹ fol. 34^b S. ² þat it seme synne, þoru goode hap wrouȝt to me deþ, þat synne be made synnyng aboue maner in a later hand on erasure, S. þat schulde seme sunne þoru þat þing þat was good wroȝte deþ to me þat me be y maad sunge aboue maner sunne P. Cf. *Vulg.* ut fiat supra modum peccans peccatum per mandatum. ³ fol. 39^b P. ⁴ & P; am in a later hand on erasure, S. ⁵ y sold P. ⁶ do P. ⁷ her with r in late hand on erasure, S. heo P. ⁸ of god (crossed out) follows, P. ⁹ nat þat y do... worche nat in the lower margin, P. ¹⁰ nauȝt þat P. ¹¹ þat P. ¹² men P. In S the mark of shortening on e erased. ¹³ fol. 40 P, fol. 35 S. ¹⁴ e is on erasure, S.

lawe of þe spiryt of lyf in Crist haþ delyfered me from þe
 3 lawe of sunne & of deþ. For þat þat was inpossyble to þe
 lawe, in þe whuche þing man was y-maad sek þorow þe flesche,
 God sende his Sone in þe lykenesse of þe flesche of sunne, &
 4 of sunne he dampned sunne in flesch: þat þe iustifyenge of
 þe lawe were fulfilled in ous, þat walkeþ nozt aftur þe flesch,
 5 bote aftur þe spiryt. For þilke þat beþ¹ aftur þe flesch
 safereþ þilke þinges þat beþ of þe flesch; but þilke þat beþ
 6 aftur þe spiryt seleþ þilke þinges þat beþ of þe spiryt. For þe
 wisdom of þe flesch is deþ; bote þe wysdom of þe spiryt is lyf
 7 & pes: for þe wysdom of þe flesch is enemye to God: for
 þe lawe of God heo ne is nozt soget, ne may not ben soget:
 8,9 & þilke þat beþ in þe flesch ne mowe not plese God. & 3e ne
 beþ nozt in þe flesch bote in þe spiryt, jif þat þe Spiryt of God
 dwelleþ in 3ow. & who þat haþ nozt þe spiryt of Crist, he ne
 10 is nozt of hym. & jif þat Crist is in 3ow, þanne is þe body
 11 deed for sunne; but þe spiryt lyueþ for iustificacyoun. And
 jif² þe Spiryte of hym þat a-rered up Iesu Crist from deþ to
 lyfe dwelle in 3ow, he þat arered up Iesu Crist from deþ to
 lyfe schal quykene 3oure dedlyche bodyes for his Spiryt þat
 12 dwelleþ in 3ow. & þerfore, breþeren, we beþ dettours, nozt
 13 to þe flesch, þat we lyfen aftur þe flesch. For jif 3e lyfeþ
 aftur þe flesch 3e schuleþ deyzen; bote 3ef 3e sleþ þe werkes
 14 of þe flesch þorow þe spiryt, 3e schuleþ lyfen. For who-
 euere beþ y-maad þorow þe spiryt of God, þei beþ Godes
 15 chyl dren. For 3e ne hafeþ nozt vnderfongen þe spiryt of³
 þraldom eftsones in drede; bote 3e haueþ vnderfongen þe
 spirit of þe bygetyng of children, in þe whuche spirit we
 16 crieþ to God oure Fadur. For þat Spirit 3efþ witness to
 17 oure spirit, þat we beþ Godes children: and 3ef we beþ
 children & eyres, we beþ eyres of God, & eyres wiþ Crist; jif
 it is so þat we suffreþ to-gedere, þat we ben y-gloryfyed
 18 to-gydere. & I trowe þat þe suffrynges of þis tyme ne beþ
 nozt worþi to þe blisse þat schal be schewed in ous her-aftur.
 19 For þe abydyng of creature abydeþ þe schewenge of Goddis
 20 children. For eferich creature is soget to vanyte, nozt wil-
 fullyche, bote for hym⁴ þat haþ y-maad hure soget in hope:

¹ an e in the margin, S.² fol. 40^b P.³ fol. 35^b S.⁴ fol. 41 P.

For þat creature schal be delifered from þe þraldom of 21
 corrupcyoun in-to þe fredom of þe blisse of Godes chyldren.
 & we knoweþ þat eferech creature makeþ waymentacyoun 3it 22
 nowþe. Noȝt onlyche heo, bote we also, þat habbeþ þe furste- 23
 fruytes of þe Spirit, we makeþ waymentacioun wiþ-ynne
 ous-self, abydyng þe bygetyng of Godes children, & þe
 for-buggynge of oure body. & þorow hope¹ we beþ y-safed: 24
 For hope þat is y-seye ne is non hope: for þat þing þat
 a man seþ he ne hopeþ noȝt. & ȝif we hope þing þat we 25
 se noȝt, þorow pacyence we abydeþ þat þyng. & þe Spirit 26
 also helpeþ oure infirmyte: for we ne koneþ noȝt preyen as
 it byhoſeþ; but þe Spiryte preyeþ for ous þorow sykynges þat
 mowe noȝt ben y-told; and he þat sercheþ hertes knoweþ 27
 what þe Spirit desyreþ, þat þorow God preyeþ for seyntes. & 28
 we knoweþ þat to þilke þat lofeþ God alle þinges worcheþ
 to-gedere in-to good, to þese men þat beþ astur hure purpos
 y-cleped holy men. For² þilke he knew by-fore & ordeyned 29
 byfore to ben y-confermed to þe yinage of his Sone, þat he be
 þe furste bygete sone in many breþeren: & þilke þat he 30
 ordeyned byfore, þilke he haþ y-cleped: & þilke þat he haþ
 y-cleped, þilke he haþ y-iustifyed³: & þilke þat he haþ
 y-iustified, þilke he haþ y-magnifyed. What schulde we seye 31
 þanne⁴? ȝif God is wiþ ous, who is aȝeyns ous? & he ne 32
 spared⁵ noȝt his owne Sone, bote ȝef hym for alle ous, & how
 ne he⁶ haþ noȝt y-ȝeuen ous alle þinges wiþ hym? & who 33
 schal accusen aȝeyn hem þat beþ y-chosen of God? God þat
 iustifyeþ⁷; who is he þat schal demen? Iesu Crist þat dyed, 34
 & ros al-so from deþ to lyfe, & is on þe riȝtsyde of God, &
 preȝeþ also for ous. Who schal þanne departen ous from þe 35
 charite of Crist? tribulacyoun, oþer angwysch, oþer hunger,
 oþer persecucyoun, oþer nakedschep, oþer pereyle, oþer sward?
 As it is wryten, For þe we beþ y-slawe al day; & me⁸ weneþ 36
 þat we ben scheep of sleynges. But in alle þese þinges we 37
 ofercomeþ for hym þat lofed ous. & ich am certeyn, þat 38
 nowþer deþ, ne lyf, ne angeles, ne princypaltees, ne vertues,
 ne þinges þat beþ nowþe, ne þinges þat schulleþ ben her-

¹ þe hope P. ² fol. 36 B. ³ y. om. B. fol. 41^b P. ⁴ þanne seye P.
⁵ spareþ P. ⁶ he ne P. ⁷ iustifyed P. ⁸ men P.

39 astur, ne strengþe, ne hyzenesse, ne depnesse¹, ne non oper creature, may departen ous from þe charite of God, þat is in oure Lord Iesu Crist.

- 12 1 I preyþe ȝow, breþeren, by þe mercy of God, þat ȝee ȝefen ȝoure bodyes a sacrifice, lyfyng & holy, & plesyng to God, 2 & ȝoure seruyse resonabel. & ne be ȝe noȝt conformed² to þis world: bote be ȝe y-schaped a-ȝeyn in þe worschup of ȝowre wyt, þat ȝe knowen³ whiche be þe wille of God, þat is 3 good & wel plesyng & parfite. & I seye, þornȝ þe grace of God þat is y-ȝefe me, to alle þilke þat beþ among ȝow, þat ȝe ne safereþ no more þan it byhofeþ ȝow to safere: hote þat ȝe safere to sobernesse, & eferych man as God haþ departed 4 to hym þe mesure of bylese. For ryȝt as we han in on body many membres, & ȝet alle þe⁴ membres ne habbeþ noȝt on 5 doynge: ryȝt so we beþ on body in Crist⁵, & eferichone of ous 6 membres of oper. & we þat han dyuerse ȝiftes after þe grace þat is y-ȝeue to ous, as prophecie astur þe resoun of þe feiþ; 7 oper seruise in serfyng; oper he þat techeth, in techyng; 8 he þat warneþ, in warnyng; he þat ȝeldeþ, in sympelnesse; he þat is byfore, in bysynesse; he þat a-reweþ an oper, in 9 gladnesse. B[e]⁶ þer lofe wiþowten feynyng. & hate ȝe 10 efel, & draweþ ȝow to goode. & lofe ȝe to-geder, & hafe ȝe charite of breþerhede; & go ȝe byfore worschupyng eferich- 11 one oper; noȝt slowe in bysynesse; seruēt in spirit; serfyng 12 oure Lord; ioyenge in hope; suffryng in tribulacyoun; 13 bysy to preyere; comunyng to þe nedynesse of holy men; & 14 solewe⁷ ȝe herborewyng. Blesse ȝe to þilke þat purseweþ 15 ȝow; blesse ȝe, & ne curse ȝe noȝt⁸. Ioye ȝe wiþ hem þat 16 ioyeþ; & wepe ȝe wiþ hem þat wepeþ. & sele ȝe to-gedere in-to þe same þinge, noȝt saferyng hyȝe þinges, but assentyng to humel þinges. & ne wilne ȝe noȝt to ben wyse men to- 17 fore ȝow-self; noȝt ȝeldyng to eny man efel for efel, but bysy ȝe to don goode þinges noȝt onlyche to-fore God, but 19 also to-foren alle men; noȝt defeudyng ȝow-selfe, bote ȝefe ȝe place to wrappe: for it is y-wryten, God saiþ⁹, to me þe

¹ es on erasure, S. ² fol. 42 P. ³ fol. 36^b S. ⁴ For alle þe P has many. ⁵ on body in Crist repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ⁶ by S.P. ⁷ fo on erasure, S. ⁸ fol. 42^b P. ⁹ fol. 37 S.

veniaunce; & ych wole yelden azejn. & jif þyn enemy be 20
an-hungred, fede hym; & ' jif he be a-þrust', yef hym drynke:
For doynge þese þinges þou schalt gedere to-geder coles of
fuyr up-on his hed. Ne be þou ofercome of esel, bote in 21
goode ofercome þou esel.

Euerich¹ soule be soget² to poweres þat beþ hyzere þan 13
heo: for þer ne is no power bote of God; & þilke þinges þat
beþ, of God þei beþ y-ordeyned. And þerfore who þat a-zejn- 2
stondeþ geteþ dampnacyoun to hemselfen. For princes ne 3
beþ noȝt to drede of goode werkes, bote of esel werkes. &
jif þou wolt noȝt drede a power, do good, & þou schalt haue
preysynge þer-of. For he is Godes serfaunt to þe in good. 4
& jif þou dost esel, þan drede þou: for wiþ-uten enchesoun
he ne bereþ noȝt³ his swerd: for he is Goddes serfaunt,
wracchful in wrappe to þilke þat doþ esel. & þerfore algates 5
be ȝe sogettes, noȝt onlyche for wrappe, bote also for con-
ciense. For þerfore ȝe ȝeueþ trybut; for þei beþ Goddes 6
serfauntes, serfynges-for þis þing. & þerfore ȝelde ȝe to alle 7
men ȝoure dettes: to hym þat ȝe schuleþ trybut, trybut;
to hym þat ȝe schuleþ drede, dred; & to hym þat ȝe
oweþ worschup, worschup⁴. Ne owe ȝe no þing to no man, 8
bote þat ȝe losen to-gedere: for he þat loseþ his neyȝe-
bore fulfulleþ þe lawe. For, þou ne schalt noȝt breke 9
spoushod, þou ne scha[lt] noȝt sleen, þou ne schalt noȝt stele,
þou ne schalt seye no fals wyttnesse, þou ne schalt noȝt
coueyte þi neyȝebore's good, & ' jif þer be eny oþer comaunde-
ment, it is y-vnderstonde in þis word, þou schalt loue þi
nexte⁵ neyȝebore as þi-selfe. Þe loue of a mannes nexte⁶ 10
neyȝebore ne worcheþ non euil: an þerfore⁷ þe fulnesse of þe
lawe is loue. & knowe ȝe þis tyme, for it is now tyme to 11
rysen up from sleep: for oure hele is ner now þan we wenden
þat it were. Þe nyȝt is passed, & þe day wole neyȝlyche: & 12
þerfore þrowe we a-wey werkes of derkenesse⁸, & be we cloped

¹ & om. P.² a þurst P.³ Rom. 13 chap. in a late hand, S.⁴ he anget repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.⁵ fol. 43 P.⁶ dominica

quarta post octavam epiphanie in the margin in a xvi century hand, S.

⁷ fol. 37^b. Heading: *Corynthes* in a late hand throughout the epistles, S.⁸ nexte expunged, S.⁹ þer on erasure, S.¹⁰ fol. 43^b P.

13 wiþ armer of lyst. & walke we honestlyche as in day-tyme,
 nozt in etynge out of mesure, ne in dronkenesse, ne in
 kouchynges abedde, ne in vnclannesse, ne in stryuynges, ne in
 14 hatynge. Bote be 3e y-cloþed wiþ oure Lord Iesu¹. þus,
 suster, seynt Poule wryteþ to þe Romaynes², how þei schuleþ
 lyuen þat byleueþ in Crist.

I. CORINTHIANS.

1 10 And³ to þe Corynthes he wryteþ, & seiþ, Breþeren, y prey
 3ow by þe name of oure Lord Iesu Crist, þat 3e suggen on
 þing, & þat þer ben none dyuysyones among 3ow; bote be 3e
 11 parfyt in on wyt & in on cunnynges. For it is y-tolde me þat
 12 þer beþ stryuynges among 3ow. & y ne sugge bote þat, þat
 euerichone of 3ow saiþ, Ich am of Poule; & ych am of
 13 Apollo⁴; & ich am of Petur; & ich am of Crist. þanne is
 Crist departed? Wheþer Poule were y-don on þe cros for
 3ow? oþer wheþer 3e weren⁵ y-baptyzed in þe name of Poule?
 14 & y þonke God þat y ne haue nozt y-baptyzed none of 3ow,
 15 bote Crispen & Gayen; lest eny man sugge, þat 3e ben
 16 y-baptyzed in my name. Safe ich baptyzed⁶ Stephanies
 household, & y ne knewe no mo þat ych haue y-baptyzed.
 17 For Crist ne⁷ sende nozt me for to baptyze, bote for-to præche
 þe gospel: nozt in þe wysdom of wordes, þat þe cros of Crist
 18 ne be nozt y-voyded⁸ a-wey. For þe word of þe cros to pilke
 þat pereschep⁹ is fuly; bote to pilke þat beþ y-safed, as to
 19 ous, it is þe vertu of God. For it is y-wryten, Ych wole
 dystruye¹⁰ þe wysdom of wyse men, & ych wole represe þe
 20 redynesse of redy men. Where¹¹ is þe wyse man? where¹²
 þe makere of þe lawe? where þe getere¹³ of þe worlde¹⁴? ne
 21 haþ nozt God mad þe wysdom of þis world folye? & for þat
 þe world in wysdom ne knew not God þorow³ wysdom, it wes

¹ crist follows, P. ² romaynes P. ³ Corynthes in the margin,
 1st corr. S. ⁴ y am of apollo repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.
⁵ weren 3e P. ⁶ fol. 38 S. ⁷ om. P. ⁸ fol. 44 P. ⁹ perchep P.
 An e in the margin, S. ¹⁰ dystroye repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.
¹¹ W'heþer P. ¹² were P. ¹³ gretere P. ¹⁴ worde P.

plesynge to God by folý of prechyngē maken hem saf þat
bylcueþ. For Iewes secheþ sygnes, & Grekes secheþ wysdom: 22
bote we precheþ Crist þat is y-crucifyed, þat is sclandre¹ to 23
þe Iewes, & folý to oþer mysbylesed men; bote to þilke þat 24
beþ y-cleped, boþe Iewes & Grekes, we precheþ Crist þe
wysdom of God, and þe vertue of God. For þat þat is folýe 25
of God it is wiser þan men; &² þat is febel of God is
strengere þan man. &, bryþeren, y-seo³ 3e 3oure clepyngē, for 26
nouþer mony⁴ wyse men astur þe flesch, ne mony mysty men,
ne mony nobel men: bote þilke þinges þat beþ folý of þe 27
worlde God ches, to confounde wyse men; & febel þinges of
þe worlde God ches, to confounde stronge þinges; & þilke 28
þinges þat weren noȝt nobel, but dispised of þe worlde, God
chees, and⁵ þilke þinges⁶ þat beþ noȝt, to distruye þilke
þinges þat beþ: þat eferich flesch ne reioysche hym noȝt 29
in his sȝt. Bote of hym 3e beþ in Iesu Crist, þat is y-mad 30
wysdom to ous of God, & riȝtfulnesse, & holynesse, & for-
buggyngē: þat, as it is y-wryte, He þat ioȝeþ, ioȝe he in 31
God.

And⁷, bryþeren, whan þat ich com to 3ow, y ne come noȝt 1 2
yn hyȝenesse of wordis ne of wysdom, schewenge to 3ow þe
wytnesse of Crist. For ich demed þat y ne knewe no þing 2
a-mong 3ow, bote Iesu Crist y-crucifyed. And ich wes 3
a-mong 3ow in infirmyte, & in gret drede, & in quakyngē.
& my word & my predicacioun ne wes noȝt in semynge 4
wordis⁸ of mannes wysdom, bote in schewynge of þe spiryt &
of vertu: þat 3oure feiþ ne be noȝt in mannes wysdom, bote 5
in þe vertu of God. & we spekeþ wysdom a-mong parfyt 6
men: bote non wysdom of þis worlde, ne of þe princys of þis
world þat beþ destroyed: bote we spekeþ þe wysdom of God 7
in mysterie þat is y-hud, þe whuche wysdom God ordeynyd
byfor þe worldes to oure ioȝe: þe whuche wysdom non of þe 8
princes of þis worlde knew: for ȝif þei hadden y-knowe, þei
nolde nefer haue crucifyed þe Lord of blysse: but as it is

¹ An e in the margin, S. ² om. P. ³ Before seo erasure of y.
The right half of o erased, S. ⁴ o in mony corrected from e, S.
⁵ fol. 38^b S. ⁶ fol. 44^b P. ⁷ ii^a in a late hand in the margin, S.
⁸ wordis repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

- y-wryten, þat þe eyȝe ne haþ noȝt y-seye, ne þe ere ne haþ
noȝt y-herd, ne haþ noȝt y-styed up in-to mannes herte, þat
10 God haþ¹ y-ordeyned to þilke þat lofeþ hym. Bote to ous
God haþ y-schewed² hit by his Spiryte: for þe Spiryte sercheþ
11 alle þinges, ȝe, & þe depe þinges of God. For what man
knoweþ þilke þinges þat beþ of men, bote þe spiryte of man,
þat is in hym? so þilke þinges þat beþ of God no man
12 knoweþ, bote þe Spiryte of God. & we ne haueþ noȝt vnder-
fongen þe spiryte of þis worlde, bote þe spiryte þat is of God;
þat we knowen þilke þinges þat beþ y-graunted to ous of
13 God; þe whiche þinges we ne spekeþ noȝt in vntauȝt wordes
of mannes wysdom, bote in þe techynge of þe Spiryte, tellynge
14 to spirytual men spirytual þinges: bote þe bestyche³ man ne
parceyfeþ noȝt þilke þinges þat beþ of þe Spiryte: for þei ne
beþ but folye to hym, & he ne may noȝt vnderstonden, for
15 he is⁴ examyned spirytualyche. Bote þe spirytual man
demeþ alle þinges, & he ne is noȝt y-demed of no man. For
16 it is y-wryten, Who⁵ haþ y-knowe þe wyt of oure Lord, bote
þe Spiryte of oure Lord, þat haþ enformed hym? & we
habbeþ þe wyt & þe vnderstondynge of Crist.
- 3 1 And, bryþeren, y ne myȝte noȝt herbyfore speke to ȝow
as to spirytual men, bote as to fleschlyche men, & as to smale
2 children in Crist. Ich ȝef ȝow mylk⁶ to drynke, & noȝt mete;
for þat tyme ȝe ne myȝte noȝt, ne ȝit now⁷, ȝe ne mowe noȝt;
3 for ȝit⁸ ȝe beþ fleschlyche: for whyles þer beþ⁹ enuye¹⁰ &
stryuynges a-mong ȝow, ne be ȝe noȝt fleschlyche, & walkeþ
4 after þe flesch? For whyles þat on saieþ, Ich am of Poul; &
5 an oþer, Ich am of Apollo; ne be ȝe noȝt men? & what
þanne is Apollo? & what is Poul? His serfauntes in whom
ȝe habbeþ bylened, & to eferich man as God haþ y-grauntyd¹¹.
6 Y plaunted, & Apollo moysted; bote oure Lord ȝefeþ þe
7 waxynge. & þefore nouþer he þat plaunted is ouȝt, ne he
8 þat moysted; bote he þat ȝefeþ þe waxynge is God. Bote he

¹ fol. 45 P. ² fol. 39 S. ³ e in the margin S. ⁴ *ded goutech*
in the margin, 1st corr. S. *ded soþlyche* follows, P. Cf. Vulg. quia spiri-
tually examinatur. ⁵ *who* þat P. ⁶ *mylk* repeated in marg. 1st corr. S.
⁷ After the *u* erasure of two letters, probably *þe*, S. ⁸ fol. 45^b P.
⁹ fol. 39^b S. ¹⁰ *enuye* P. ¹¹ *y* erased and expunged before *grauntyd*, S.

þat plaunteþ & he þat inoysteþ beþ on ; & eferich man schal
 vnderfongen his mede astur his trauayl. & we beþ Goddes 9
 helpere, & 3e beþ Goddes erþe-tylyyng, & Goddes buyld-
 yng. And astur þe grace of God þat is y-granted to me, as 10
 a wys buyldere ich hafe y-sett a foundement ; bote an oþer
 buldeþ aboþe. Bote loke eferych man how he buyldeþ a-boþe.
 For no man may setten¹ an oþer foundement þan þat þat is 11
 y-set, þat is Iesu Crist. & who-efer þat buyldeþ aboþe þis 12
 foundement gold, oþer selfer, oþer præcyous stones, treo², oþer
 hey³, oþer stubbel ; eferich mannes werke schal ben oþenliche 13
 y-schewed ; & þe day of oure Lord schal declaren it, for in
 fuyr it schal be schewed ; & fuyr schal presen which mannes
 werk. For whos werk þat is y-buyld a-boþe & dwelleþ stytle, 14
 it schal vndurfongen his mede. Bote whos werk branneþ 15
 a-wey⁴, he schal suffre harmyng : bote he schal be safed ;
 bote þat schal ben as þoroȝ fuyr. Ne knowe 3e noȝt þat 3e 16
 beþ Goddes temple, & þe Spiryte of God⁵ dwelleþ in 3ow ?
 & who-efer þat defouleþ þe temple of God, God wole de- 17
 struyen⁶ hym : for 3e beþ þe holy temple of God. No man is 18
 bygyle 3ow : 3ef þer seme eny man amoug 3ow a wys man in
 þis world, be he y-maad a fool, þat he be a wys man. For þe 19
 wyslom of þis world is folye byfore God. For it is y-wryten,
 Ich wole take wyse men in hure folye : & eftsones, God 20
 knoweþ þat þe þouȝtes of wyse men beþ veyn. & þerfore no 21
 man reiocytesche hym-selfen a-mong men. For alle þinges beþ
 3ouren ; wheþer hit be Poul, oþer Apollo, oþer Petur, oþer þis 22
 worlde, oþer lyf⁷, oþer deþ, oþer þinges þat beþ nouþe, oþer
 þinges þat schuleþ comen herastur ; for alle þinges beþ
 3ouren ; & 3e beþ of Crist, & Crist is of God. 23

Bote þer is y-herd fornycacyoun a-mong 3ow, & such 1 5
 fornycacyoun as ne is noȝt a-mong mysbylefed men, in so
 muche þat summe of 3ow hafe his sadur wyf. & 3e beþ 2
 y-blowe wiþ pruyde, & 3e ne hafeþ y-mad no sorow, þat he be
 don a-wey from þe myddel of 3ow, þat haþ⁸ y-do þis dede. & 3
 ich, þat am absent in body & present in spyrte, hafe y-demed

¹ setten repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

² o nearly erased, S.

³ om. P.

⁴ fol. 46 P.

⁵ fol. 40 S.

⁶ e in the margin, S.

⁷ þe lyf P.

4 as present¹ þilke þat haþ y-don so, in þe nome of oure Lord
 Iesu Crist, whan 3e beþ y-gedered to-gedere in my spiryt, wiþ
 5 þe vertu of oure Lord Iesu, to take þilke man to Satanas in
 slaucht of his flesh, þat þe spiryt be saf in þe day of oure
 6 Lord Iesu Crist. 3oure ioyynges ne is noȝt good. Ne² knowe
 - 7 3e noȝt þat a lytel sowrdow³ schendep al-to-geder? þerfore
 make 3e clene 3oure olde sowrdow³, þat 3e ben a newe
 spryngenge to-gedere, as 3e beþ perf. For Crist is y-offred,
 8 oure astur-lomb⁴: & þerfore ete we, not in þe olde sowrdow³,
 ne in sowrdow³ of malyce, ne of wykkednes, bote in þerfnes of
 9 clernes & of trewþe. Y wrot to 3ow in an epystel þat 3e ne
 10 medle noȝt wiþ lecchoures, ne wiþ none lecchoures of þis
 world, ne wiþ coueytous men, ne wiþ rafeneres, ne wiþ hem
 þat serfep mawmetes; for wharto schulde 3e elles haue y-gon
 11 out from þe world: & now ych haue y-wryte to 3ou þat 3e ne
 medle noȝt wiþ hem; & 3if he þat is y-cleped a broþer of 3ow
 is a lecchour, oþer a coueytous man, oþer serfynges to maw-
 metis, oþer a mysseggere, oþer dronkelew man, oþer a rafeyner;
 12 ne ete 3e noȝt⁵ wiþ such a manere man. & what is þat to me
 for-to demen of þilke þinges þat beþ wiþouten-forþ? Ne
 13 deme 3e noȝt of⁶ þilke þinges þat beþ wiþinne-forþ? For
 þilke⁷ þat beþ outen-forþ God schal deme. Doþ a-wey þat
 6 1 þing þat is efel from 3ow-selfen. And dar þer any of 3ow, þat
 haþ any þing a-3eyn oþer, ben y-demed to-fore wykked men
 2 & noȝt to-fore goode men? Wheþer 3e ne knowen noȝt þat
 goode men habbeþ to demen þis word? & 3if þis world schal
 ben y-demed in 3ow, be 3e noȝt worþi to demen þe leste
 3 þinges? Ne knowe 3e noȝt þat we schulleþ demen angesles?
 4 How muche more þanne wordlyche þinges. & þerfore 3if 3e
 habbeþ wordlyche domes⁸ a-mong 3ow, þilke þat beþ y-left
 5 worþi a-mong 3ou, ordeyneþ hem for to demen⁹. To 3oure
 schame y sugge it. Is þer no wys man of 3ow þat may
 6 demen by-twene hym & his broþer, bote on broþer st[r]yueþ
 7 in dom wiþ his broþer, & þis is a-mong mysbylefed men?

¹ fol. 46^b P. ² fol. 40^b S. ³ *dow* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. (?) S.

⁴ after lomb P. ⁵ *ne ete 3e noȝt* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. (?) S.

⁶ of inserted above the line, S. ⁷ fol. 47 P. ⁸ fol. 41 S. ⁹ For for

to demen P. has to comen.

& now algates þer is sunne a-mong ȝow, þat ȝe han domes
a-mong ȝou. Why ne suffre ȝe noȝt raþere wrong? Why ne
suffre ȝe noȝt raþer gylynge? Bote ȝe doþ wroug in gyle also 8
to ȝoure bryþeren. Wheþer ȝe knowe noȝt þat wykked men 9
ne schuleþ noȝt haue þe kyngdom of heuene? Ne erre ȝe¹
noȝt: for nouþer lecchoures, ne þilke þat serfeþ false goddis,
ne spouse-brekeres, ne sodomytes, ne þeses, ne coueytous 10
men, ne dronken men, ne glotonas, ne cursers, ne rafeneres,
ne schulleþ not owe² þe kyngdom of God. And ȝe weren 11
suche: ȝe³, bote ȝe beþ now y-wasche, & ȝe beþ y-halewed, &
beþ y-iustifyed in þe name of oure Lord Iesu Crist, & in þe
Spiryt of oure God. Alle þinges beþ lefful to me, bote alle 12
þinges ne beþ noȝt spedful to me. Alle þynges ben lefful to
me, bote y ne schal noȝt ben ybrouȝt⁴ aȝeyn vnder no mannes
power⁵. Mete to þe wombe, & wombe to þe mete: & God 13
wole distruye boþe þe body & þe mete. & þe body ne is
noȝt to fornycacyoun, bote to oure Lord: & oure Lord to þe
body. & God haþ rered up oure Lord, & he wole areren us 14
up by his verteu. And ne knowe ȝe noȝt þat ȝoure bodies 15
beþ membres of Crist? schal⁶ me take þanne Cristis
membres, & make hem þe membres of an hore? God for-
bede. Ne knowe ȝe noȝt þat he þat draweþ hym to an hore 16
ys y-mad on body wiþ hure? For he seyde, þei schulleþ
ben⁷ tweyn in on flesch. Bote þilke þat draweþ to God beþ 17
on spirit. Fle ȝe fornycacyoun. Eferech synne þat a man 18
doþ it is wiþ-outen þe body, bote he þat doþ fornycacyoun
synneþ in-to his body. Wheþer ȝe ne knowe noȝt þat ȝoure 19
membres beþ þe temple of þe Holy Gost, þat is in ȝou, whom
ȝe han of God? &⁸ ȝe ne beþ noȝt ȝoure owne; for ȝe beþ 20
y-boȝt for a gret prys: & þerfore glorifye ȝe God & bere ȝe
hym in ȝoure body.

And þo ilke þinges þat ȝe wryten to me, þat it is good: 7
for a man þat he ne touche no womman. Bote, for forny- 2
cacyoun, eferich man hafe his⁹ wyf, & eferiche womman hure

¹ ne erre ȝe repeated in the margin, 1st corr. (?) S.

² fol. 47^b P.

³ om. P.

⁴ y om. P.

⁵ e in the margin, S.

⁶ fol. 41^b S.

⁷ ben (expunged) follows, S.

⁸ fol. 48 P.

⁹ his in a later hand above

the line, S. a P.

3 housbonde¹. & þe housbonde ȝelde his dette to his wyf; &
 4 þe womman also to hure housbonde. þe womman ne haþ no²
 power of hure owne body, bote þe housbonde haþ: ne þe
 housbonde ne haþ no power of his owne body, bote þe
 5 womman haþ. Ne bygyle ȝe noȝt to-gedere, but it be to³
 a certeyn tyme of ȝoure boþe assent, þat ȝe ben occupied in
 preyyng, & afturward turne ȝe aȝeyn to þe same doyinge, þat
 6 þe defel ne tempte ȝow noȝt for ȝoure in-contynence. Bote
 þese þinges y sugge to ȝow ȝefyng ȝou lefe, & noȝt comaun-
 7 dyng. For ich wole þat alle men ben as ich myselfe. Bote
 eferyche man haþ a propre ȝifte of⁴ God, on man so, & an
 8 oþer man so. & y seye to þilke þat beþ vn-weddyd & to
 wydewes, It is good for hem to ben so, ȝif þei dwellen stille
 9 as ych do. Bote ȝif þei⁵ mowe noȝt ben contynent, ben þei
 y-wedded: yt is betur to ben y-wedded þan to ben y-brent.
 10 Bote to þilke þat beþ ywedded⁶ to-gedere ych comaunde,
 & not ych, bote oure Lord, þat þe wyf ne⁷ departe hure
 11 noȝt from hure housbonde, & ȝif heo doþ⁸, dwelle [heo]⁹
 stille vn-wedded, oþer elles turne heo a-ȝeyn to hure hous-
 12 bonde, & þe housbonde ne lefe noȝt his wyf. To oþer men y
 seye, & not oure Lord, A man þat haþ a mysbyletyd wyf &
 heo¹⁰ assenteþ to dwelle stille wiþ hym, ne lefe he noȝt hure.
 13 & þe womman þat haþ a¹¹ mysbylefed man to housbonde þat
 assenteþ to dwelle wiþ hure, ne lefe heo¹² noȝt hure housbonde.
 14 For a mysbylefed man is y-maad holy þoroȝ a feyþful
 womman, & a mysbyleued womman is y-mad holy þorowȝ
 a feyþful man: oþer elles ȝoure children weren vnelene; bote
 15 now þei beþ holy. & ȝif þilke þat is mysbylefed goþ a-wey,
 go he a-wey: for in suche nouþer broþer ne suster is soȝet to
 16 þraldam: bote in pes God haþ y-cleped us. & þerfore ȝif þe
 womman knoweþ þat heo schal safen hure housbonde, oþer þe
 17 man knoweþ þat he schal safen his wyf: ryȝt as God haþ
 departed to eferych man, & as God haþ y-cleped eferich man,
 18 so walke he as y teche in alle¹³ churches. He þat is circum-

¹ husbond repeated in the margin, S.² om. P.³ fol. 42 S.⁴ fol. 48^b P.⁵ y weddeþ P.⁶ ne be P.⁷ þ erased after the o, S.

doþ P.

⁸ sche inserted in later hand on erasure, S. he P.⁹ ȝe P.¹⁰ haþ a in the margin with caret to mark insertion, S.¹¹ fol. 42^b S.

sidid¹ & is y-cleped, ne brynge he noȝt to þe prepucye. & he
 þat is y-cleped in þe prepucye, ne be he noȝt y-circumsydid.
 For circumscycyoun is noȝt, ne þe prepucye nouȝer; bote þe 19
 kepynges of þe comaundementis of God. & eferiche man in 20
 þe clepyng þat he is ycleped, duelle he stille to-fore God.
 ȝif þou art a serfaunt þat art y-cleped, ne charge þou noȝt; 21
 but ȝif þou myȝt be mad fre, vse it þe more. For he þat is 22
 y-cleped in oure Lord, he is oure lordes serfaunt & is freman;
 also he þat is a fre man & y-cleped, he is Cristis serfaunt.
 ȝe beþ y-boȝt þorowȝ prys; ne wilne ȝe noȝt to ben y-mad 23
 mennes serfauntes. & eferiche man in þat þing þat he is 24
 y-cleped broȝer, in þat dwelle he stille to-fore God. Of 25
 maydenes y ne hafe non commaundement: bote a counseyl
 ych ȝefe as he þat haȝ y-had mercy of God, þat y be trewe.
 For y trowe þat it be good for þe nede þat is nouȝe, & þat it 26
 is good to a man for-to be so. Bote ȝif þou art y-bounden to 27
 þi wyf, ne seche þou noȝt to ben vnbounden. ȝif þou art
 vnbounden, ne wilne þou noȝt to sechen a wyf. & ȝif þou 28
 takest þe a wyf, þou ne synnest noȝt; & ȝif a mayde be
 y-wedded, heo ne synneþ nouȝer. Naþeles suche schulleþ
 haue tribulacyoun of hure flesch: bote y spare ȝow. & 29
 bryȝeren, y sey² to ȝow þese þinges, tyme is schort; an oȝer is,
 þilke þat³ habbeþ wyfes⁴, ben þei, as þouȝ þei ne hadden none
 wyfes; & þilke þat wepeþ, as þilke þat wepeþ noȝt; & þilke 30
 þat ioȝeþ, as þilke⁵ þat ioȝeþ noȝt; & þilke þat buggeþ, as
 þilke þat oweþ no þing; & þilke þat vseþ þis worlde, as þauȝ 31
 þei ne used it noȝt: for þe fygure of þis worlde passeþ forþ.
 & ych wole þat ȝe ben wiȝ-uten bysynesse of þe worlde. 32
 He þat haȝ no wyf þenkeþ whuche þinges beþ of God, &⁶ how
 he schal plese God⁶: but he þat haȝ a wyf is bisy aboute 33
 þinges þat beþ of þe worlde, & how he schal plese⁶ his wyf,
 & so he is departed. & a womman þat is a mayden & vn- 34
 wedded þinkeþ whuche þinges beþ of God, & þat heo be holy
 in body & in spiryt: but heo þat is y-wedded þynkeþ þinges
 þat beþ of þe worlde, & how heo schal pleseu hure housbonde.

¹ fol. 49 P.

² fol. 43 S.

³ fol. 49^b P.

⁴ After þilke erasure

of four letters. An e in the margin, S.

⁵ om. P.

⁶ God but...schal

please inserted later, P.

35 But þese þinges y sey to ȝow for ȝoure profyte; noȝt þat
 y þrowe to ȝow a gren, but for þat þing þat is honest, & þat
 it' ȝefe ȝow myȝt to knowe wiþ-outen lattynge to bysechen
 36 oure Lord. & he þat troweþ þat me holdeþ hym an eſel man
 for his mayde, þat heo' is ouer-waxe, & it mote be so: þat he
 haþ wylle to don do he; for þouȝ he be wedded, heo ne
 37 synneþ noȝt. & he þat haþ ſadlyche y-stabled in his herte,
 noȝt haſynge nede, but power of his wylle, & haþ y-demed in
 38 his herte to kepen¹ his mayde, he doþ wel. & he þat marȝeþ
 his mayde doþ wel also; & he doþ² betere³ þat marȝeþ hure
 39 noȝt. Also longe as a wommanes housbonde lyfeþ, heo⁴ is
 y-bounde to þe lawe; bote ȝif hure housbonde dye, heo⁵ is
 delyſered from þe lawe of hure housbonde: be heo y-wedded
 40 to whom heo⁶ wole, bote onlyche in God. Bote heo⁷ is muche
 more betere ȝef heo⁸ dwelle ſtille ſo, aſtur my counſeyl: & y
 trowe þat ych haue þe Spiryte of God.

11,2 Be⁹ ȝe my ſoleweres, as ych am Cristis ſolewere. And
 my bryþeren, y preȝe¹⁰ ȝow, for in alle þinges ȝe haſeþ mynde
 of me; & riȝt ſo as ych ȝefe ȝou my comaundementis, ſo ȝe
 3 holdeþ hem. And ych wole þat ȝe knowen, þat þe hed of
 eſerych womman is a man; & þe hed of eſerich man is Crist;
 4 & þe hed of Crist is God. Eſerich man þat preȝeþ oþer
 5 prophecȝeþ wiþ a keſered hed, he deſouleþ his hed. Bote
 eſerech womman þat preȝeþ oþer prophecȝeþ wiþ hed¹¹ vn-
 heled, deſouleþ hure hed: for it is al on as þouȝ he¹² were
 6 balled. For ȝif a womman be noȝt y-keſered, be heo
 y-dodded: & ȝif it be ſoul for a womman to ben y-dodded
 7 oþer balled, wrye heo hure hed. But a man ne ſchal noȝt
 wrye his hed, for he is þe ymage & þe ioye of God: & þe
 8 womman is þe ioye of a mau. For þe man ne is noȝt of
 9 womman, bote þe womman is of man: for man ne¹³ is noȝt
 10 y-mad for þe womman, bote þe womman for þe man: &
 þefore þe womman ſchal haue an¹⁴ helyng on hure hed, for
 11 angeles. Naþeles nouþer man wiþ-oute womman, ne womman

¹ ȝe P. ² heo in the margin with caret to mark insertion, S. ȝe P.

³ First e inserted above the line, S. ⁴ fol. 50 P. ⁵ fol. 43^b S. ⁶ ȝe P.

⁷ ȝhe P. ⁸ fini C vii; C x in the margin, P. ⁹ preȝe P. ¹⁰ þe hed P.

¹¹ it P. ¹² fol. 50^b P. ¹³ fol. 44 S.

wiþ-oute man in oure Lord. For riȝt as womman is man, 12
 riȝt so man is þorow; womman; & alle þei beþ of God.
 Deme ȝe ȝow-selfe: wheþer it byȝeme a womman vnkefered 13
 to preȝen to God? þe kynde of hem techeþ ȝow: & ȝif 14
 a man norsche his her, it is schenschype to hym; bote ȝif 15
 a womman norsche hure her, it is worschupe for hure: for
 heres beþ y-ȝeuen to hure for hure keſerynge. And ȝif þer 16
 be any of ȝow a ſtryfer, we ne haſeþ no ſuche custom, ne
 Goddes churche nouþer. & þeſe þinges y bydde ȝow, noȝt 17
 preȝſynge¹, þat ȝe comeþ to-gedere in þe churche. Ich heere 18
 þat þer be diſſenſyones a-mong ȝow, and a party y trowe it.
 For it byhoſeþ þat þer ben heresyas a-mong ȝow, þat þilke 19
 þat beþ appreſed men a-mong ȝow ben openlyche y-ſchewed.
 And þerfore whan ȝe comeþ to-gedere in-to on, now it falleþ 20
 noȝt for ȝow to eten oure Lordes ſoper²: for eſerich man 21
 takeþ byfore his ſoper for-to eten; & on is an-hungred, & an-³
 oþer is dronken. Wheþer ȝe ne haſeþ none houſes to eten in 22
 & drynken in⁴? oþer ȝe diſpiſeþ Godes churche, & ſchendeþ
 þilke þat haueþ none houſes! What ſchal⁵ ich ſeye to ȝow?
 Ich preȝſe ȝow, bote in þis ich preȝſe ȝow noȝt. And ich 23
 haſe vnderfongen of oure Lord þat ich haſe y-take to ȝow:
 for oure Lord Ieſus in þat nyȝt þat he was y-take⁶ toke bred;
 & dude þankynges to God, & brake it, & ſeyde, Take ȝe, 24
 & ete ȝe: þis is my body þat ſchal be take for ȝou: makeþ
 þis in mynde of me. Also aſtur þat he had ſouped⁷ he toke 25
 þe cuppe, & ſeyde, þis cuppe is a newe teſtament in my
 blod: makeþ þis, as ofte as ȝe drynkeþ, in mynde of me.
 For as ofte ſyþes as ȝe eteþ þis bred, & drynkeþ þis cuppe, 26
 ȝe ſchulen ſchewen þe deþ of oure Lord forto⁸ þat he come.
 & ſo who-euere þat eteþ þis bred or drynkeþ þe cuppe of 27
 oure Lord vnworþilyche⁹, he ſchal be gulty of oure Lordes
 body & his blod. And þerfore preſe a man hym-selfe, & 28
 ſo ete he of þis bred, & drynke he of þis cuppe. For he¹⁰ þat 29
 eteþ & drynkeþ vnworþiliche, eteþ & drynkeþ dom to hym-
 ſelfe, noȝt demynge oure Lordes body. & among ȝow þer 30

¹ in pr. P. ² *ſakerment* added in the margin, 1st corr. S. ³ om. P.
⁴ & P. ⁵ fol. 51 P. ⁶ nota in the margin; fol. 44^b S. ⁷ y ſouped P.
⁸ ty! P. ⁹ vn inserted above the line, S.

31 beþ many seke & many febel, & many beþ aslepe. & jif we demen ous-selfe, þanne ne schulde we nojt ben y-demed.
 32 But whyles þat we beþ y-demed of oure Lord¹, we beþ
 33 a-mendyd, þat we ne be nojt y-dampned wip þis world. And þerfore, breþeren, whau þe comeþ for-to eten, abyde þe to-
 34 gydere eferichone oþer. & jif þat any man be an-hungred, ete he at home, þat þe ne come nojt to-gedere in-to dom.
 Oþer þinges y wole ordeyne whanne þat y come my-selfen.

12 1 Of spirytual þinges, my breþeren, y ne wole nojt þat þe
 2 ben vnknowynge. For þe wyteþ wel þat whylys þe weren mysbyleued, as þee weren y-lad, þe wenten to dombe maw-
 3 metes. And² þerfore y certefye þow, þat no man spekyng in þe spyrty of God seiþ, A-cursed Iesu; & no man may seye,
 4 Oure Lord Iesus, bote it be in þe Holy Spyrty. And þer ben dyuerse graces, bote it is al on Spyrty. And þer ben dyuerse
 5 seruynges, bote it is al on Lord. And þer ben dyuerse manere werchynges, bote it is on God, þat worcheþ alle
 7 þinges in alle þinges. & to eferich man þer is y-graunted
 8 a schewynge of þe spyrty to profyte. To on man³ þer is y-graunted speche of wysdom þoroþ þe Spyrty; to anoþer man
 9 speche of kunnyng þoroþ þe same Spyrty; to anoþer man seiþ in þe same Spyrty; to an-oþer man⁴ grace of helynge
 10 men; to an-oþer man werchyng of vertues; to an-oþer prophete; to an-oþer discrecyoun of spyrtes: to an-oþer dyuerse
 11 kyndes of langages; to an-oþer interpretacyoun of wordis; and alle þese þinges wercheþ on Spyrty, departynge to dyuerse men
 12 as he wole hym-self. And ryjt as þe body is on, & haþ many membres, & þonþ þe membres ben many, jit þei beþ alle on
 13 body; ryjt so Crist. For in on spyrty alle we beþ y-baptyzed into on body, boþe Iewes & oþer Gentyles, and serfauntes &
 14 freo men: & alle we haueþ y-drunke of on Spyrty. & þe body ne is nojt for on membre, bote many membres. & jif þe fot seiþ, Y ne am nojt þe hond, y ne am nojt of þe body;
 16 yet he is ner-þe-latere of þe body. & jif þe ere seiþ, For y ne am nojt þe yȝe, y ne am nojt of þe body; he ne is nefer-þe-
 17 latere of þe body. Ȝef al þe body were yȝe⁵, where were þe

¹ fol. 51^b P. ² fol. 45 S. ³ to on man repeated in the margin, 1st corr. Below it *peuyte* in a xvith century hand, S. ⁴ fol. 52 P. ⁵ fol. 45^b S.

herynge? & jif al were herynge, where were smellynge? Bote now God haþ y-set þe membres eserychone of hem in þe 18 body, as he wole hym-selsen. & jif alle þe membres weren on 19 membre, where were þe body? Bote now þe membres beþ 20 many, bote þe body ne is but on. And þe yȝe ne may not 21 seye to þe hond, Me nedest noȝt þyue workus¹: ne þe hed to þe feet, 3e ne beþ noȝt nedeful to me. Bote þilke membres of 22 þe body þat semeþ most febel, þei² beþ most nedful: & þilke 23 membres þat semeþ us most vnnobel of þe body, aboute hem we doþ most worschupe; & þilke membres þat beþ most in-honest, to hem we doþ most honestee; for oure honeste 24 membres ne haueþ nele of no þing: bote God haþ y-tempred þe body, jefyng to hym þat fayled ouȝt þe more worschupe; þat þer be no debate in þe body, bote þat³ alle þe membres 25 ben bysy eferichone for oþer. And jif any membre suffre any 26 þing. suffren alle þe membres to-gedere; oþer jif on membre ioȝe, ioȝen alle þe membres to-gederu. & 3e beþ Cristis body, 27 & membres of a membre. And God haþ y-put in his churche, 28 furst sum men aposteles, in þe secunde place prophetes, in⁴ þe þridde techeres, seþþe vertues, seþþe graces of helynge men, helpynges, gouernynges, dyuerse kyndes of langages, interpre-tacyons of wordys. Wheþer⁵ alle ben aposteles? oþer alle 29 prophetes? oþer alle techeres? oþer alle vertues? wheþer 30 alle men han grace to hele men? wheþer alle men speken dyuerse⁶ langages? wheþer alle men maken interpretacyoun of wordys? Folwe 3e þe betre ȝiftes of grace. & ȝit y wole 31 schewe ȝow a more excellent weye.

3ef⁷ þat y speke wiþ mennes tungen oþer wiþ aungeles: 13 tungen, & y ne haue noȝt charyte⁸, y am y-mad as bras þat souneth, oþer a cymbal þat souneth. & ȝef y haue eueriche 2 prophecie, and knowe alle pryuetees, & jif y haue euery cunnyng & euery seiþ, so þat y mowe mafen hulles from hure places, jif y ne haue no charite, y ne am noȝt. And jif y dele 3 al my catel in-to pore mennes lyfode, & ȝefe my body to brenne, & y ne haue no charite, it profytech me no þing.

¹ fol. 52^b P.² þat P.³ om. P.⁴ & in P.⁵ fol. 46 S.⁶ fol. 53 P.⁷ The rubric in P is a Z.⁸ charyte repeated in the

margin, 1st corr. S.

4 Charite is pacyent & benygne; charite ne hateþ no man,
 5 ne doþ not wykkedlyche, ne is not y-blowe wiþ pruyde; he
 ne¹ is not couertous, he ne secheþ nozt his owne þinges, he ne
 6 is nozt y-wrapped, he ne þenkeþ non yuel, ne ioieþ nozt up-on
 7 wykkednesse, bote ioieþ to trewþe; alle þinges he suffreþ,
 alle þinges he byleueþ, alle þinges he hopeþ, alle þinges he
 8 abydeþ. Charite ne falleþ nefer a-vey: wheþer þat pro-
 phecyes schuleþ ben voydyd a-vey², oþer langages schulen³
 9 cessen, oþer cunnynges schal be destroyed. For a party we
 10 knoweþ, & a party we prophecyeþ. Bote whanne þat comeþ
 þat is parfyt, þanne it schal ben voyded þat þinge þat ne is
 11 bote a party. Whan y was a lytel chyld, I spak as a lytel
 chyld, & y þouȝt as a lytel child, & y safered as a lytel chyld:
 bote whenne y was man, y voyded a-vey þilke þinges þat
 12 weren of childhode. We seþ now þorow; a myrour in derk-
 nesse, bote þanne we schulen sen face to face. Now y knowe
 a partye, bote þanne y schal knowe ryȝt as y am y-knowe
 13 my-selfe. & now dwelleþ þes þinges, feiþ, hope, & charite;
 bote þe gretteſt of þese is charyte.

II. CORINTHIANS.

6 1 And⁴, breþeren, helpynge ȝow we bysecheþ þat ȝe ne
 2 resceyfeþ nozt þe grace of God in veyn; for he haþ y-sayd,
 In an acceptabel tyme y haue y-herd⁵ þe, & in þe day of hele
 y haue y-holpe⁶ þe; and lo, now is an acceptabel tyme, and a
 3 day of hele. & ȝefe ȝe non offencyoun to no man, þat ȝoure
 4 seruyse ne be not y-blamed; bote in alle þinges ȝefe we ous-
 seluen as Goddes serfauntes, in myche pacyence, in tribu-
 5 lacyones, in nedyschepe, in angwysch, in woundynges, in
 prisonynges, in bytrayynges, in wakynges⁷, in trauayles, in
 6 fastynges, in chastyte, in kunnynges, in longe abydynges, in
 7 softnesse, in þe Holy Gost, in charite⁷ nozt y-feyned, in word
 of trewþe, in þe uertu of God; þorow þe armer of riȝtfulnesse
 8 on þe riȝtsyde & on þe lyftsyde, þorow worschupe & vnnobel-
 nesse, þorow diffamynges & good loos; as gylores, bote as men

¹ om. P.² fol. 46^b S.³ fol. 53^b P.⁴ No heading in the mss.⁵ y om. P.⁶ fol. 54 P.⁷ fol. 47 S.

þat beþ trewe; & þou; ze ben y-knowe, yet be ze as þilke þat 9
 beþ vnknowe; as þilke þat dyeth, & lo, we lyfeth; as þilke þat
 beþ y-chasted, & nouȝt y-slawe; as þilke þat beþ drery, bote so
 efermore ioyenge; as þilke þat beþ nedy, bote makyng many
 men ryche; as þilke þat hafeþ nouȝt, bote oweþ alle þinge.
 Oure mouþ is opned to þow, ze Corynthea, oure herte is 11
 y-drawn a-brood. Ne be ze nouȝt y-angwysched in oua, bote 12
 be ze y-angwysched in þoure owne in-wardnesse. & hafyng 13
 þe same remuneracyoun, as to my chyldren y seye, Be ze
 y-drawn abroad. Ne lede ze no yok wiþ mysbylesed men: 14
 for what a-cord is þer bytwene rytfulnesse¹ & wykkednesse?
 oþer what felowschupe bytwene lyst & derknesse? Oþer 15
 what a-cord by-twene Crist & þe desel? oþer what party haþ
 a welbyleued man wiþ a mysbyleued man? Oþer what 16
 assent bytwene þe temple of God & wiþ mawmetes? For ze
 beþ þe temple of lyfyng God²; as God seiþ hym-selfen, Y
 wole dwellen in hem, & y³ wole wonen a-mong hem; & y
 wole ben hure God, & þei schuleþ be my pepel. Wherefore 17
 God seiþ. Goo ze a-wey from þe myddel of hem, & be ze
 departyd from⁴ hem, & ne touche ze non vnclene þing; and y
 wole resceyue you, & y⁵ wole be þoure Fadur, & ze schulen be 18
 my sones & my douȝteren. Sustur, in þis manere seyat Poule
 wryteþ to þe Corynthea.

GALATIANS.

And¹ to Galathes he wryteþ, & seiþ, Lo, y Poule seye to z 5
 þow, þat zef ze beþ circumcyded, Crist profyteþ þow no þing.
 For y bere wytnesse eftsones to euerich man þat circumcydeþ 3
 hym-selfen, þat he² is dettour to don al þe lawe. & ze beþ 4
 y-voyded a-wey from Crist, for ze þat beþ y-justyfied in þe
 lawe, ze beþ y-fallen a-wey from grace. For ze ne abydeþ 5
 nouȝt þe hope of rytfulnesse þoroȝ þe spiryt of bylese. & in 6
 Iesu Crist nouȝer cyrcumsysyon³ is ouȝt worþ, ne þe pre-
 pucye nouȝer; bote seiþ þat worcheþ by charite. Ze ronne 7
 wel; who haþ y-lat you nouȝe, þat ze ne obeyscheþ you nouȝt to

¹ an e in the margin, B.² fol. 54^b P.³ om. P.⁴ fol. 47^b B.⁵ ed Gal. in the margin, B.⁶ cyrcumsysyon P.

- 8 þe trewþe? Ne assente ȝe to no man in þis, for þis persuacyoun (or, euidence)¹ ne is noȝt of hym þat haþ y-cleped
 9 ȝow. A² lytel sourdouȝ schendeþ al-to-geder a gret pese.
 10 Bote y truste in ȝow in oure Lord, þat ȝe ne woleþ safere non
 oþer þing: bote he þat affrayeþ ȝou schal bere his dom,
 11 whyche-efer he be. And breþeren, ȝif y³ præche ȝit circumsisyoun, wharto suffre ych ȝet persecucyoun? þanne is þe
 12 sclaudur of þe cros y-voyled away. & wolde God he were
 13 y-kut away þat affrayeþ ȝou þus. My breþeren, ȝe beþ
 y-cleped in-to fredom; & ne ȝefe ȝe noȝt ȝoure fredom in-to
 occasyoun of flesh, bote serfe ȝe to-gedere þorȝ charite of
 14 spiryt. For⁴ eferich lawe is fulfilled in on word, þou schalt
 15 lose þi⁵ nexte⁶ neyȝeboure as þi-selfe. & ȝef ȝe byteþ &
 gnaweþ to-gedere, byseþ ȝou lest ȝe ben y-wasted away
 16 eferichone of oþer. &⁷ y sey ȝou in Crist, Walke ȝe in Crist,
 17 & ȝe ne schuleþ noȝt fulfyllen þe desyres of þe flesh. For þe
 flesh coneyteþ aȝeyn þe Spiryt, & þe Spiryt a-ȝeyn þe flesh;
 for pese beþ aduersaryes eferychone to oþer; þat ȝe do noȝt
 18 al þat ȝe wolleþ. & ȝif ȝe beþ y-lad þorȝ þe Spiryt, ȝe beþ
 19 not vnder lawe. & þe workes of þi flesh beþ opene, þat
 20 beþ fornycacyoun, vncleennesse, in-contynence, seruyse of
 false goddes, wycche-craftes, enemytees, stryfinges, hatynges,
 21 wrappes, chydnynges, debates, sectes, enuyes⁸, manslaughter,
 dronkenesse, etyng out⁹ of mesure, & oþer þat beþ y-lyche
 pese, þe whuche y sey ȝow by-fore, as y haue y-seyd ȝow.
 For þilke þat doþ suche þinges ne schuleþ noȝt hafe þe
 22 kyngdom of hefene. Bote þe fruyt of þe Spiryt is charyte,
 ioye, pees, pacyence, longe abydyng, benygnyte, goodnesse,
 23 mansuetude (þat is, myldene[sse])¹⁰, feiþ, softnesse, contynence,
 24 chastite; aȝeyn suche þer ne is no lawe. & þilke þat beþ
 of Crist hafeþ y-crucifyed hure flesh wiþ vyces and wiþ
 coneytynges.
- 25, 26 And ȝif we lyfeþ in Spiryt, walke we in Spiryt. Ne be
 we noȝt y-mad coueytous of veyn glorie, tarynge eferychone

¹ or euidence in the margin, 1st corr. S., or euidence precedes persuacyoun in P. ² fol. 55 P. ³ ich P. ⁴ fol. 48 S. ⁵ þei P.

⁶ expunged, S. ⁷ Dominica xiiii post trinitatem in the margin in a xvith century hand, S. ⁸ ennoyes P. ⁹ fol. 55^b P. ¹⁰ þat is myldene... in the margin, 1st corr. S. þat is myldenesse follows mansuetude, P.

oper, & hafynge enuye eferichone to oper. And breþeren, ȝef : 6
any man¹ be y-occupied in any trespas, ȝe þat beþ spyrtyal,
enformeþ such a man in þe spyrty of softnesse; byholdynge
þi-selfe lest þat þou be y-temptyd. On of ȝow bere operes 2
burþenes, & so ȝe schuleþ fulfullen Cristes lawe. For who 3
þat weneþ þat he be any þing, whan þat he ne is noȝt, he
bygyleþ hym-selfe. Bote eueryche man prefe his owne werk, 4
& so he schal ioȝen in an-oper man, & noȝt in hym-selfen.
For eserych man schal bere his owne burþene. And he þat 5,6
is y-taust, comune he to hym þat techeth in alle goode þinges.
Ne erre ȝe noȝt, for² God ne wole noȝt ben y-scorned: for 7
þilke þinges þat a man soweþ³, þilke þinges he schal repen.
For he þat soweþ in his flesch, of his flesch he schal reþe 8
corrupcyoun; bote he þat soweþ in his spyrty, of his spyrty he
schal reþe an eferlastynge lyf. And ne sayle we noȝt doynge 9
þing þat is good. And þerfore whyle we haueþ tyme, do we 10
good to alle men, bote most to þilke þat beþ homlyche to þe
bylefe. & loke ȝe what manere letteres y wrot to ȝow [wiþ] 11
myn owne hond. Alle þilke þat woleþ plesen in flesch, þei 12
constreyneth ȝow to ben circumcyded; onlyche for þei ne
wolde noȝt suffre þe persecucyoun of Cristis croa. & nouþer 13
þei þat circumcydeþ keþeþ þe lawe; bote þei wolden þat ȝe
weren circumcyded, for þei wolden ioȝen in ȝoure flesch.
Bote God forþede þat y ioȝe bote in þe croa of oure Lord 14
Iesu Crist⁴, þoroȝ whom þe world is y-crucysyd to me, & y to
þe worlde. For in Iesu Crist nouþer circumsysyoun is⁵ ouȝt 15
worþ, ne þe prepucye nouþer, bote a newe creature. & whyche- 16
efer þat han y-folewed þis reule, pees & mercy be on hem &
up-on þe⁶ Israel of God. Astur þis tyme no man be greuous 17
to me: for y bere þe markes of þe woundes of Iesu Crist.

EPHESIANS.

To⁷ þe Epheses, suster, he wryteþ, & sayþ, Y þat am : 4
y-bounden⁸ in oure Lord, pray ȝou þat ȝe walken worþilyche

¹ fol. 48^b S. ² fol. 56 P. ³ þ a man soweþ repeated in the margin,
1st corr. S. ⁴ e in the margin, S. ⁵ fol. 49 S. ⁶ om. P.

⁷ Heading: Epheses 4 C in the original scribe's hand, S. ⁸ fol. 56^b P.

2 in þe clepyng þat 3e beþ y-cleped, wiþ al humelnesse & man-
 suetude, wiþ pacyence, berynge up eferichone oþer in charite;
 3 & be 3e bysy to kepe þe vnyte of Spiryte in þe bond of peea.
 4 On body, & on spyrte, as 3e beþ y-cleped in on hope of 3oure
 5,6 clepyng; on Lord, on seiþ, on baptysme, on God & Fader¹
 of alle þinges, & abofen alle þinges, & by alle þinges, & in ous
 7 alle. And to eferich of 3ou is y-graunted grace aftur þe
 8 mesure of þe 3efyng of Crist. Wherefore he seiþ, He þat
 styep up an hy; þrow; away wrecchednesse, & 3ef 3iftes to men.
 9 And what is þat, þat he steý; up an hy, bote þat he come
 10 down first in-to þe neþer partyes of þe erþe? & he þat com
 down is he þat steý; up a-bofen alle hefenes to fulfullen alle
 11 þinges. & he ordeynede summe men aposteles; & summe²
 prophetes; & summe euangelistes; & oþer schepherdes &
 12 techeres in-to þe ende of þe worldes; & in-to þe werke of
 13 mynstryng in-to þe buyldyng of þe body of Cryst: forto³
 þat we comen alle to-gedere in vnyte of seiþ, & of þe knowyng
 of Godes Sone, in-to a parfyt man⁴, in-to þe mesure of þe age
 14 of þe fulnesse of Crist. þat we ne ben noȝt nouþe smale
 children, fletyng abroad, ne ben noȝt y-boren aboute with
 eserych wynd of techyng, in þe wykkednesse of men, in gyle,
 15 to þe deceyt of⁵ errour; bote do we trewþe in charite, & waxe
 16 we in hym þoro; alle þinges, þat is oure hed, Crist; of whom
 al þe body is y-knyt to-geder by eferich myȝt of mynstryng,
 þoro; worchyng in mesure of eferich membre, þat makeþ þe
 waxyng of þe body in þe buyldyng of hym in charyte.
 17 And þerfore y sey 3ow, & wytnesse to 3ow in oure Lord, þat 3e
 ne walkeþ noȝt nouþe as mysbylefed men, þat walkeþ in
 18 vanyte of hure wyt, hauyng a derke vnderstondyng y-mad
 darke þoro; darknesse, & beþ alyened from þe wey of God,
 þoro; þe vnkunnyngenesse þat is in hem, for þe blyndenesse
 19 of hure hertes; and þei dispeyryng han y-taken hem-selsen
 to vnclannesse, in worchyng of eseryche vnclannesse in-to
 20,21 couetyse. Bote 3e ne haueþ not so y-lernyd Crist; & 3if 3e
 han y-herd hym, & beþ y-tauȝt in hym, as trewþe is in Iesu:

¹ on fader P.² The first two strokes of the second m effaced, S.³ Tyl P.⁴ fol. 49^b. Heading: *Ephesians* in a late hand throughout, S.⁵ fol. 57 P.

do 3e a-wey 3oure olde conuersacyoun, & þe olde man þat 22
is corrupt þorou þe desyres of errour; & be 3e renewed in þe 23
spyryt of 3oure þouȝt, & cloþeþ 3ow wiþ a newe man, þat is 24
y-schape [þ]orou;¹ God is ryȝtfulnesse & in holynesse of
trewþe. Wherefore, do 3e a-wey lexyng, & speke 3e trewþe 25
eferych man wiþ his neyȝbore: for we beþ eferychone²
membres to oþer. Be 3e wroþ, & ne sunge 3e noȝt: ne þe 26
sonne go noȝt a-doun vp-on 3oure wrapþe: ne 3efe 3e no 27
stude³ to þe defel. He þat haþ y-stolen here byfore, ne stele 28
he noȝt nouþe: bote trauayle he more, worchyng wiþ his
honden þat þing þat is good, & he haue wher-of to ȝesen⁴ to
hym þat haþ nede. Ne passe þer non euel word out of 3oure 29
mouþ, bote ȝif þer is any good word to edefyyng of þe feiþ,
þat ȝefe gruce to hem þat hereþ. & ne sorowe 3e noȝt þe 30
holy Spiryte of God, in whom 3e beþ y-marked in þe day of
redempcyoun. Eferych bitternesse, & wrapþe, & indygnacyoun,
& cryyng, & blasphemye, be don a-wey from 3ou, &
eferyche malice: & be 3e benygne eferychone to oþer, & 31
merciful, & forȝefyng eferychone oþer, as God haþ forȝouen
3ou in Crist.

And þerfore be 3e foloweres of God, as his dereste children; 1 5
& walke 3e in lofe, as Crist haþ y-lofed ous, & ȝef hym-selven 2
for ous, an offryng & a sacryfyce to God in a swet smellyng
of softnesse. And fornyacyoun, ne non oþer vnclannesse, ne 3
couetyse, ne be noȝt y-nemyd⁵ among 3ou, as it bysemeþ noȝt
goode men; ne non fylþe, ne folye speche, ne harlotrye, þat 4
ne parteneþ noȝt to þe þing: bote rapere þankynges to God.
For þis wyte 3e wel & vnderstondeþ it, þat eferych lecchour⁶, 5
oþer⁷ an vnclene man, oþer a coueytous⁸ man, þat is þe
seruyce of false goddes, ne haþ non erytage in þe kyngdom of
Crist & of God. No man bygyle 3ou wiþ⁹ weyn wordes: 6
for herfore þe wrapþe of God com in-to þe children of mys-
trust. & þerfore ne be 3e noȝt y-mad partyneres of hem; 7
for 3e weren derknesse sumtyme, bote 3e beþ now lyst in 8

¹ P; ȝorouȝ S. ² fol. 50 S. ³ fol. 57^b P. ⁴ ȝefen repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ⁵ nemyd on erasure in a later hand, S. y dampned P. *fulg. nominetur.* ⁶ harlotrye repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ⁷ fol. 50^b S. ⁸ fol. 58 P. ⁹ wiþ in the margin, 1st corr. S.

9 oure Lord; & walke 3e as¹ children of lyst. For þe fruyt of
 10 lyst is in eserych goodnesse & ryztfulnesse & treupe. & prese
 11 3e what þing is wel plesynge to God: & ne comune 3e nojt to
 þe vnfruytful² werkes of darknesse, bote rapere vndernymen
 12 hem; for þilke þinges þat beþ y-don of hem in prifete it is
 13 foul forto speke. & alle þilke þinges þat beþ vndernomen of
 lyst, beþ openliche y-schewed: & al þynge þat is y-schewed
 14 openlyche is lyst. & þerfore he sayþ, Aryse up, þat slepest,
 15 & rys³ þou up from deþ, and Crist wole schyne on þe. And
 þerfore, bryþeren, loke 3e how wyslyche 3e walken, nojt as
 16 vnwyse men, bote as wyse men; forbugge 3e tyme, for þese
 17 dayes beþ yuele. & þerfore ne be 3e nojt y-maad vn-redy
 18 men, bote vnderstandynge whuche be þe wyll of God. And
 ne be 3e nojt y-maad dronken þoroȝ wyn⁴, in whom is
 19 leccherye, bote be 3e fulfylled wiþ þe Holy Gost; spekyng
 to 3ou-selven in psalmes & in ymnys &⁵ in spyrytual songes,
 20 syngynge in 3oure hertes, & doynge þankynges to oure⁶ Lord
 efer more for alle men in þe name of oure Lord Iesu Cryst
 21 to God þe Fader; beyng soget eserych man to oþer in þe
 22 drede of Crist. Wymmen also ben sogettes to hure hous-
 23 bondes as to oure Lord. For a man is þe hed of a womman,
 as Crist is hed of holy church, & he is þe safeour of þe body
 — 24 of holy chu[r]che. & ryzt as holy church is soget to Crist, so
 ben wymmen⁷ sogetes to hire housbondes in alle þinges.
 25 And 3e housbondes, lofe 3e 3oure wyfes, as Crist lofed⁸ holy
 26 church, & 3ef hym-self for hure; to maken hure holy,
 makynge hure clene þoroȝ þe waschyng of water in þe word
 27 of lyf, þat he maketh hure glorious to hym-selven, hafynge no
 wem, ne non ryfelyng, (þat is, no sen)⁹, ne non suche oþer
 28 þing: bote þat he be holy & wiþouten wem. & so men
 schulleþ lofen hure wyfes ryzt as hure owne bodyes. & who
 29 þat lofeþ his wyf lofeþ hym-selven: for þer ne is no man þat
 hateþ his owne flesch; bote norscheþ it & kepeþ it, as Crist
 30 doþ holy church; for we beþ þe membres of his body, of

¹ a P.² vnryztful P.³ arys P.⁴ hym with the downstroke

of the h visible, the rest erased, P.

⁵ fol. 58^b P.⁶ fol. 51 S.⁷ wymmen repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.⁸ louep, P.⁹ þ^{is} is no

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his flesh, & of his bonye. Wherefore a man schal lefen his 31
fader & his moder, & drawen hym to his wyf; & þei schulleþ
ben tweyn in¹ on flesh. Þis sacrament is gret; and y seye 32
in Crist & in holy church. Þat eferych of you lofe his wyf 33
as hym-selfen, & drede þe wyf hure housbonde.

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furste comaundementes² in þe byhete, þat it be weel to þe, & 3
þat þou be longe lyfyng on þe erþe. And, ye faderes, ne 4
stere ye noȝt youre children to wrappe: bote norsche ye hem
in þe techyng of oure Lord, & amende hem of here defautes.
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to Crist; noȝt serfyng to þe [yse], as for-to plesen men, bote 6
as Cristes serfauntes, doyng þe wylle of God wyllfullyche,
serfyng wiþ a good will as to oure Lord, & noȝt as to men: 7
knowyng þat what good dede any man do, he schal vnder- 8
songen it of God, whieþer⁴ he be a serfaunt oþer a fre man.
And, ye lordes, do ye þe same þinges to hem, forȝefyng hem 9
þretynges: knowyng þat boþe youre Lord & hure Lord is in
hefene, & þer ne is non vnderfongyng of mennes persones⁵
to-fore God. & her-aftur, my breþeren, be ye y-comforted in 10
oure Lord & in þe myȝt of his vertu. & casteþ up you þe 11
armer of God, þat ye mown stonden aȝeyn þe aspyes of þe
defel. For youre wrastlyng⁶ ne is noȝt a-ȝeyn flesh & blood, 12
bote aȝeyn princes & potestates, a-ȝeyn þe gouernoures of þe
worlde of þis darknesse, a-ȝeyn þe spyrytual armer of wykked-
nesse in hefnelyche þinges. Wharfore take ye þe armer of 13
God, þat ye⁷ mown aȝeyn-sonde in þe luther day, & þat ye
mowen stonde⁸ parfyt in alle þinges. & þerfore cutteþ up 14
your lendes⁹, & stonde ye in trewþe, & cloþeþ you wiþ an
haberioun¹⁰ of ryztfulnesse, & schoyeþ youre fet in greyþyng 15
of þe euangelye of pees; and in al þinge, take ye þe scheld of 16
þe feyþ, in þe whuche ye mowen quenchen alle þe fury

¹ fol. 59 P.² fol. 51^b S.³ *serfauntes* repeated in the margin,

1st corr. S.

⁴ *where* P.⁵ fol. 59^b P.⁶ *t* inserted in a later hand, S.⁷ *j* nearly effaced, S.⁸ fol. 52 S.⁹ *herles* precedes in P.¹⁰ *haberioun* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

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¹⁰ *haberioun* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

17 gafelokes & dartes of hym þat is most wykked. & take 3e
 to 3ow þe helm of hele, & þe sward of þe Spiryte, þat is Goddes
 18 word: preynge in eferych tyme in spiryt þoroʒ eferych preyere
 & bysechyng, & wakyng in spiryt in eferich bysynesse, &
 19 preynge for alle goode men, & for me þat þer be y-ȝese to me
 speche in¹ openyng of my mouþ wiþ trust, to make 3ou
 20 knowe þe mystery of þe euangely. For whom² y vse wor-
 schupfulyche my ligacyon³ (byndyng) in þis chayne, so þat in
 21 hym y dare⁴ speke, þat y schulde speke. And for þat 3e
 schulden y-knowe, how it is wiþ me & what y do, alle þinges
 Tyte, my derest broþer & a trewe serfaunt in oure Lord, schal
 22 make 3ou knowe: whom ich hafe y-send⁵ to 3ow for þis
 enchesoun, þat 3e knowen how it is wiþ ous to comforte 3oure
 23 hertes. Pees be to oure breþeren, & charite wiþ feiþ of oure
 24 God þe Fader & oure Lord Iesu Crist. þe grace of God be
 wiþ alle hem þat lofeþ oure Lord Iesu Crist [in] incor-
 [rup]cyoun⁶. Amen.

PHILIPPIANS.

- 1 27 Suster⁷, to þe Phylyppences he wryteþ in þis wyse, Hafe 3e
 worþilyche 3oure conuersacyoun onlyche after þe gospel of
 Crist: þat, whanne⁸ ich come & seo 3ou oþer absent yhere of
 3ou, þat 3e stondeþ in on spirit & of on soule trafaylynge
 28 to-geder to þe feiþ of þe euangelye; & in no þing be 3e a-gast
 of 3oure aduersaryes: þat is to hem an enchesoun of per-
 29 dycyoun, bote to ous of hele, & þis is of God; for it is
 y-graunted to 3ou, noȝt þat 3e onlyche byleue in hym bote
 30 þat 3e suffren also for hym: hauynge þe same fystyng þat
 3e han y-seyn in me, [&]⁹ þat 3e hereþ now of me.
- 2 1 And¹⁰ þerfore ȝif þer be any comfortyng in Crist, oþer
 eny solace of charyte, oþer eny felawschupe of spiryt, oþer

¹ & P. ² fol. 60 P. ³ i on erasure; *byndyng* in the margin, 1st corr. S.

⁴ a in *dare* blurred, but repeated in the margin with mark of insertion, S.

⁵ y om. P.

⁶ & *incorrec-cyoun* with *ec-cy* in a later hand on erasure, S. om. P. *Vulg.* in incorruptione.

⁷ *uster* half erased. Heading of the chapter: *phylyppences* in the 1st corrector's hand, S. ⁸ fol. 52^b. Heading: *Phylyppences* in a late hand throughout the epistle, S. ⁹ in S.P.

¹⁰ & in and omitted; fol. 60^b P.

[e]ny¹ in-wardnesse of hafynge mercy & reuþe, fulfyllē ȝe my² ioye, þat ȝe saferen on þing, hauynge on charyte, beyngē of on soule, & felynge on þing; no þyng þoroȝ stryfyngē, ne ȝ þoroȝ veyn glorye, bote in humelnesse deme ȝe eferich man soferen to oþer; ne no man byholdynge his owene þinges, 4 bote oþer unennes þinges. And sele ȝe þis þing in ȝou, þat ȝ was in Crist Iesu: þe whuche whenne he was efene wiþ God, 6 he ne demed it no rafeyn þat he were euene wiþ God, bote 7 he anentysched³ hym-selfen, takynge þe forme of a serfaunt, & was y-mād⁴ in þe⁵ lykenesse of men, & y-founden in habyt 8 as a man; & he humeled hym-selfe, & was y-mad boxum to þe deþ, ȝe, to þe deþ of þe⁶ croa. Wherefore God arered hym 9 up, & grauntedē hym a name þat is abosen eferich⁷ name; þat in þe name of Iesu eferiche kne be y-bowed, of hesnelyche 10 þinges & of erþelyche þinges and of þynges þat beþ of helle, & eferich tonge knowleche þat oure Lord Iesu Crist is in þe 11 blisse of God þe Fader. And so, my dereste breþeren, as ȝe 12 hafēþ herd byfore, ben boxum noȝt onlyche in my presence bote also in myn absence, so wiþ drede & wiþ quakyngē⁸ worche ȝe ȝoure owene hele. For God is þat worcheþ in ȝou 13 wil⁹ & parformynge, for good wil. & alle þinges do ȝe 14 wiþ-uten grucchynges & wiþ-uten doutynges; þat ȝe ben 15 wiþ-uten blame, sympel chyldren of God wiþ-uten represe in þe myddel of a¹⁰ schrewed nacyoun & a wykked, among whom ȝe schyneþ as lanternes in þe worlde, holdynge þe word 16 of lyf to my blysse in þe day of Crist; for y ne hafe noȝt y-ronne in veyn, ne y-trauayled in veyn. & ȝif þat ich be 17 ofired abose þe sacrifice &¹¹ þe seruyse of ȝoure seiþ, y ioye, & glade to ȝou alle: & ioye ȝe alle also in þe same þing, and 18 ioye to me.

And her-after, my breþeren, ioye ȝe in oure Lord. To 1 3 wryte to ȝow it is noȝt hefy to me, bote also nedful for ȝow. Y-seo ȝe houndes, y-seo ȝe wykked werkmen, y-seo ȝe circum- 2 sisycoun. For we beþ circumsycoun, þat serfeþ to God in 3 spiryt, & ioyeþ in Iesu Crist, & hafēþ no trust in oure flesch:

¹ any with on on erasure, S.² first n on erasure, S.³ y om. P.⁴ þe om. P.⁵ fol. 53 S.⁶ fol. 61 P.⁷ ll on erasure, S.⁸ om. P.⁹ in P.

4 þouȝ^r y my-selfe hafe a trust in flesch. & jif eny man is
 5 y-seye trusten in flesch: y my-self was y-circumsyded þe
 eyzteþe day^a, of þe kynde of Israel, & of þe kynrede of
 Beniamyn, of Hebrees Hebrew; after þe lawe, a Pharyse;
 6 astur þe solewyng of þe lawe, pursewyng Goddes churche;
 & astur þe ryȝtfulnesse^b þat is of þe lawe, ich hadde a
 7 conuersacyoun wiȝ-ouen blame. Bote þilke þinges þat weren
 profytabel & wyunnyng to me, for Crist ich hafe y-demed þat
 8 þei beþ harmful. [Napeles y deme alle þinges to be harmful]^c
 for þe gret knowyng of oure Lord Iesu Crist; for whom ich
 hafe y-mad alle þilke þinges harmful, & ich haue y-demed
 9 hem as dryt, þat ich wyne Crist, & þat ich be y-founden in
 hym, noȝt hafyng my ryȝtfulnesse þat is of þe lawe, bote
 þilke þat is of þe feiþ of Iesu Crist, þat is a ryȝtfulnesse of
 10 feiþ in God: to knowen hym, [&]^d þe vertu of his aryſyng
 from deþ to lyf, & þe felawschype of his passyones; & ich am
 11 y-mad lyche to his deþ, jif y mowe in any manere come to þe
 12 up-ryſyng þat is from deþ to lyf. Noȝt þat ich hafe now
 vnderfongen oþer be jit parlyt: bot y sewe, jif þat y mowe
 in any manere taken hym, in whom ich am take, Iesu Crist^e.
 13 & breþeren, y ne deme noȝt þat ich hafe y-taken hym zet:
 bote on þing þer is, þat y forȝete þilke þinges þat beþ be-
 hynde, & to þilke þinges þat beþ^f byfore y strecche out my-
 14 selfe, & pursewe to þe mede þat is y-ordeyned of þe clepyng
 15 of a-bof-n of God in Iesu Crist. & alle we þat beþ parlyt,
 fele we þis same þing, & ȝef ȝe^g feleþ eny oþer þing, God haþ^h
 16 y-schewed þat þing to ous. Bote napeles, to þat we beþ
 y-come, to solewe on þing, and dwelle we stille in on rewleⁱ.
 17 And breþeren, be ȝe my soleweres, & aspye ȝe hem þat walkeþ
 18 so, as ȝe han oure forme. For many men walkeþ, as ich
 haue seyð ȝow fele syþes, and now wepyng y seye ȝow,
 19 enemyes of Cristes cros, whos ende is deþ; & hure God is
 hure wombe, & þe blisse of hem is confusyoun, þat safereþ
 20 erþelyche þynges. Bote oure conuersacyoun is in hefne;

¹ þouȝ y. in flesch om. P.² fol. 53^b B.³ fol. 61^b P.⁴ Vulg.

Veruntamen existimo omnia detrimentum esse, left untranslated in S and P.

⁵ in S.P.⁶ Vulg. sequor autem si quo modo comprehendam in quo et

comprehensus sum a Christo Iesu.

⁷ om. P.⁸ ut P.⁹ fol. 54 B.¹⁰ fol. 62 P.

wherfore we abydeþ oure Safyours & oure Lord Iesu Crist:
þat schal reformen þe body of oure¹ humelnesse, þat is lyche 21
þe body of his clernesse, after his worchyng, þoroꝝ whom he
may maken alle þinges sogetes to hym-selfen.

And þerfore, my dereste breþeren, my ioie & my corone, 1 4
stonde 3e so in oure Lord, my lefeste breþeren. & ioie 3e is 4
oure Lord efermore: & eftsones y seye, Ioie 3e. 3ours soft- 5
nesse be y-knowe to alle men. Oure Lord is nyȝ. Be 3e no 6
þyng bysy; bote in eferiche preyere & bysechyng, in doyng
þaukynges, 3oure axyng ben y-knowe to-fore God. And þe 7
pees of God, þat passeþ eferich wytt, kepe 3ours hertes &
3oure vnderstondynges in Iesu Crist. And breþeren, her- 8
after, what-efer þinges þat beþ trewe, & chaste, oþer rystful,
oþer holy, oþer worþi to ben y-lofed, oþer of good loos², what-
efer³ vertu, what-efer preysyng of techyng, þese þinges
þenke 3e. [And]⁴ þilke þat 3e habbeþ y-lerned & vnderfongen 9
& y-herd & y-seyn in me, þese þinges do 3e, & God of pees
schal be wiþ 3ow.

COLOSSIANS.

Suster⁵, to þe Colocenses seynt Poule wryteþ & seiþ, From 9 1
þe day þat⁶ we han y-herd of 3ow, we ne cesseþ noȝt for-to
preyen & to bysechen God for 3ow, þat 3e¹ ben fulfylled wiþ
þe knowyng of his wil & eferich wysdom & spirytual vnder-
stondyng, þat 3e walkeþ worþilyche, plesyng God by alle 10
þinges, & makyng fruyt in eferich good werk, & waxyng in
þe knowyng of God in eferich vertu; & y-comforted þoroꝝ þe 11
power of his clernesse, in eferich pacyence & longanymyte
wiþ ioie; þaukyng God þe Fader, þat haþ y-mad ous worþi 12
in-to þe party of þe sort of goode men in lyst; þat haþ 13
delyfered ous from þe power of darknesse, & haþ y-broȝt ous
in-to þe kyngdom of þe Sone of his lofe; in whom we habbeþ 14
forbuggyng, & forȝefenesse of oure synnes: and he is þe 15
ymage of God þat is in-visybel, & he is þe furste bygeten

¹ om. P. ² fol. 62^b P. ³ fol. 54^b S. ⁴ in S.P. ⁵ Colocenses in the margin, 1st corrector. Colocenses in a late hand heads the pages throughout; uster nearly erased, S. ⁶ þ¹ when P.

- 16 sone of eferych creature. For in hym beþ alle þinges y-mad,
 in hefne & in erþe, boþe þinges þat mowen ben y-seye, &
 invisibel þinges, wheþer it ben thrones oþer¹ lordschypes²
 oþer pryncypatees oþer myȝtes; alle þinges beþ y-maad in
 17 hym, & þoroȝ hym; & he is to-foren alle þinges, and alle
 18 þinges beþ in hym. & he is hed of þe body, of³ holy churchē:
 & he is þe bygynnyngē, & þe furst bygeten chyld of dede
 19 men; þat he holde þe furste dygnyte among alle þinges. For
 20 it plesed God þat eferich fulnesse dwelled in hym; & þat
 alle þinges weren reconcyled by hym to hym-selven, makynge
 a pees þoroȝ þe blod of his cros, boþe to þilke þinges þat beþ
 21 in erþe, oþer in hefne. And ȝe, whan ȝe weren sumtyme
 y-alyened & y-mynused in wyt in esel werkes, now he haþ
 22 reconsyled ȝow in þe body of his flesch þoroȝ deþ⁴, to ȝelde ȝow
 23 holy & wiþ-uten wein & wiþ-uten represe to-fore hym: so
 ȝif þat ȝee dwelleþ styлле, y-founded in þe feiþ, stabel and
 im-mebel from þe hope of þe euangelye þat ȝe han y-herd,
 þat haþ ben y-preched in alle þe creatures þat beþ vnder
 hefne; of whuche euangelye y Poule am y-mad mynystre,
 24 þat ioȝe nouþe in my suffrynges for ȝou, & fulfille in
 my flesch þilke þat wanteþ of þe passyones of Crist
 25 for his body, þat is holy churchē; of whom ich am
 y-mad mynystre, after þe dispe[n]sacyoun of⁵ God þat
 is y-graunted to me in ȝow, þat y fulfille þe word of God
 26 & þe mysterye þat haþ ben y-hud from worldes & from
 27 kynredea. Bote now it is y-schewed to goode men, to
 whom God wolde y-knowe þe richesse of þe blisse of þis
 sacrement, þat is Crist, in hem þat weren mysbylesed men,
 28 þat is in ȝow hope of blisse: whom we scheweþ, amendynge
 eferich man, & techynge in eferich wysdom, þat we ȝelden
 29 eferich man parfyt in⁶ Iesu Crist; in whom y trauayle,
 fyttyngē astur þe worchyngē of hym, þat he⁷ worcheþ in me
 in vertu.
- 2 1 And ich wole þat ȝe wyten what bisynesse ich hafe for
 ȝow, & for hem þat beþ at Laudycye, & alle þilke þat ne
 2 hafeþ noȝt yseye my vysage in flesch; þat hure hertes ben

¹ orþer P.² fol. 63 P.³ fol. 55 S.⁴ þe deþ P.⁵ fol. 63^b P.⁶ fol. 55^b S.⁷ om. P.

y-comforted, & þat þei ben enformed in charite, & in alle þe riches of þe fulnesse of vnderstondyng, in knowyng þe mysterye of God þe Fader of Iesu Crist, in whom beþ alle þe tresoures y-hud of wysdom & of connyng.² & þis y seye, þat 4 no man bygyle 3ow in hyzenesse of wordes.³ For þou3 ich be 5 absent from 3ow in body, ich am present wiþ 3ow in spyrte, ioynge & scynge 3oure order, & þe sadnesse of 3oure seiþ þat is in Crist.⁴ & þerfore¹ 3ef 3e han vnderfongen oure Lord Iesu 6 Crist, walke 3e in hym, y-roted & y-buld in hym, & y-con-7 firmed² in þe seiþ, as 3e han y-lerned, beynge plentefous in doynge þankynges to God.⁵ And loke 3e þat no man bygyle 8 3ow by prophecie & veyn fallas, astur mennes tradycyones, after þe elementes of þis worlde, & noȝt after Crist:⁶ for in 9 hym dwelleþ eferich fulnesse of þe Godhed bodylyche, & 3e 10 beþ fulfylled in hym, þat is hed of eferich pryncypate & potestat: in whom 3e beþ circumsyded þor3 circumsycyoun, 11 þat ne is noȝt y-maad wiþ honden, in spoylyng of þe body of flesh, in þe cyrcumscycyoun of Iesu Crist;⁷ 3e beþ y-buried 12 to-gedere wiþ hym þor3 baptysme, in whom 3e han a-rysen up from deþ⁸ to lyf by þe seiþ of þe worchyng of God, þat a-rered hym up⁴ from deþ to lyfe.⁵ And 3e, whanne 3e weren 13 dede in 3oure synnes, & in þe prepucye of 3oure flesh, he haþ y-mad 3ou lyfe to-gedere wiþ hym, forȝeuenge 3ou 3oure synnes; & doynge a-wey þe wrytyng of þe decre þat was 14 a-ȝeyn 3ow, & toke it a-wey from 3ow, þat was contrarye to 3ow, hongynge hym on þe cros; and spoylyng principatees 15 & potestates, ladde ofer trustylyche, ofercomynge hem openlyche in hym-selven.⁹ And þerfore no man deme 3ow in 16 mete⁶, ne in drynke, ne in party of⁷ þe feste day, ofer of neo-men[y]e⁸, ofer of sabotes: þat beþ a schadewe of þinges 17 þat beþ to comen; bote þe body of Crist. No man bygyle 18 3ow, þat wole walken in þe humelnesse & in þe relygyoun of angeles, þat he ne haþ noȝt y-seyn, þat is veynlyche y-blowe þor3 þe wyt of his flesh, & ne halt noȝt þe hed, of whom al 19

¹ fol. 64 P.

² y om. P.

³ fol. 56 B.

⁴ in the margin, B.

⁵ in hym *selfen* underlined, B.

⁶ in *mete* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. B.

⁷ fol. 64^b P.

⁸ *neo menpe* with *o* nearly effaced and a cross in the margin to mark error, B. *neo mounpe* P. *Vulg.* *neomenia*.

þe body is y-maai & y-wroȝt by [io]lyntes¹ & knuttynges, &
20 groweþ in-to þe wexyng of God. ¹²And ȝef ȝe beþ dede wiþ

Crist from þe elementes of þis worlde, whar-to deme ȝe ȝet as
21 men þat lyfep in þe worlde? ¹³Ne² touche ȝe noȝt, ne taste ȝe
22 noȝt, ne trete ȝe noȝt alle þilke þinges, þat beþ by þe pure vs³
23 of hem in-to deþ, astur mennes hestes & hure techynges; þat
haueþ þe rezoun of wysdom in supersticyoun & in humel-
nesse, & noȝt for-to spare þe body, ne in no manere worschupe
to hele of þe flesh.

- 3 ¹And⁴ þerfore ȝef ȝe han a-resen up to-gedere wiþ Crist,
secheþ þilke þinges þat beþ abosen, þere as Crist is syttyng
2 in þe ryȝt syde of God. ¹²And safer⁴ ȝe þilke þinges þat beþ
3 a-bosen, & noȝt þilke þinges þat beþ up-on þe erþe. ¹¹For ȝe
4 ben dede, &⁵ ȝoure lyf is hud wiþ Crist in God. ¹⁶And when
þat Crist appereþ, ȝoure lyf, þanne schulle⁶ ȝe appere wiþ
5 hym in blysse. ¹²& þerfore mortifye ȝe ȝoure membres þat beþ
up-on þe erþe, as fornycacyoun, vnclannesse, lykyng flesch-
lyche, esel coueytyng, & coueytise, þat is seruyse of maw-
6 metes; for whuche þinges þat wraþþe of God com in-to þe
7 children of mys-trust & of vnbylese; in þe [whuche ȝe also]
8 walkeden sumtyme, whyles þat ȝe lyfeden in hem. ²⁸Bote do
ȝe now a-wey from ȝou alle þinges, wraþþe, indygnacyoun,
malyce, blasphemye⁷, foule wordes ne passe noȝt forþ out of
9 ȝoure mouþ: ne lye ȝe noȝt to-gedere, bote spoyleþ ȝow of þe
10 olde man wiþ his dedes, & cloþeþ ȝow wiþ a newe man, wiþ
hym þat is renewed in þe knowyng of God astur þe ymage
11 of hym þat haþ y-schaped hym: wher ne is noȝ male &
femal, Iew & Gentyll, circumscysyoun & prepucye, vncouþe
man & couþ man, bonde man & fre man: bote alle þynges in
12 alle þynges Crist. ²⁷& þerfore cloþeþ ȝow as holy men &
derlynges, þat beþ y-chosen of God, þe inwardnesse of mercy,
13 benygnyte, humelnesse, softnesse, pacyence; supportyng
eferich man oþer, & forȝefyng eferich man oþer, ȝif eny man
haþ⁸ eny playnt aȝeyn eny of ȝou; & riȝt as God haþ forȝeuen
14 ȝou, so do ȝe: and abosen alle þese þinges haue ȝe charite,

¹ myntes, probably error for *myntes*, S. *ioyntes*, P. ² e in the
margin, S. ³ fol. 56^b S. ⁴ *safer* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.
⁵ in P. ⁶ fol. 65 P. ⁷ & bl. P. ⁸ fol. 57 S.

þat¹ is a bond of perfeccioun. & þe pees of Crist ioys in 15
 youre hertes, in þe whiche pes 3e beþ y-cleped in on body; &
 be 3e kynde. Þe word of Crist dwelle in 3ow in eferich 16
 wysdom plenteuouslyche, techynge & warnynge 3ow-selfe in
 psalmes², ympnys & spirytual songes, in grace syngynge in
 youre hertes to God. And alle þinges what-efer 3e don, in 17
 word oper in dede, alle þinges do 3e in þe name of oure Lord
 Iesu Crist, doynge³ þankynges to God & to þe Fader þorow
 hym. And 3e wymmen, be 3e sogetes to youre housbondes, 18
 as it byhofeþ in oure Lord. And 3e men, lofe 3e youre wyfes, 19
 & ne be 3e⁴ not bytter to hem. Chyldren, be 3e buxom to 20
 youre eldren by alle þinges, for þat is plesynge to God. And 21
 3e fadres, ne stere 3e noȝt youre chyldren to indyngnacyoun,
 þat þey ne be noȝt y-maad of smal soule. And 3e serfauntes, 22
 be 3e⁵ buxom to youre fleschlyche lordes by alle þinges, noȝt
 serfynge at þe y3e, as plesynge to men, bote in sympelnesse
 of herte, dredynge oure Lord: & what-efer 3e doþ, doþ it 23
 wylfullyche, as to oure Lord God, & noȝt to men; knowynge 24
 þat of oure Lord 3e schulleþ vnderfonge a rewardynge of
 herytage: serfe 3e to Crist þat is God. For he þat doþ 25
 wrong schal receyfen⁶ þat he haþ yuel y-don: & þer ne is non
 vnderfongynge⁷ of mennes persones to-fore God. And 3e: 4
 lordes, þat is efene & rytful doþ to youre serfauntes, knowynge
 þat 3e habbeþ also a Lord in hefene. And⁸ be 3e in youre 2
 preyerres, & wake 3e in doynge þankynges to God, preyenge 3
 to-gedere & for ous also, þat God opene to ous þe dore of
 his speche, to speke þe mysterye of Crist, wherfore ich am
 y-bounde; þat y schewe it openlyche, so as it byhofeþ me 4
 for-to speken. Walke 3e in wysdom to þilke þat beþ wip- 5
 outen-forþ, forbuggynge þe tyme. And youre word in grace 6
 be y-safered wip salt, þat 3e knowen how it byhofeþ 3ow to
 answeren eferich man. And þilke þinges þat beþ aboute 7
 me, Tyte, my broþer schal make 3ow knowe, þat is a trewe
 serfaunt & serfaunt wip me in oure Lord: hym ich haue 8
 y-sent to 3ou for þis enchesoun, þat he knowe how it is wip
 3ou & coumforte youre hertes.

¹ fol. 65^b P. ² nota in the margin, S. ³ o on erasure, S. ⁴ om. P.
⁵ fol. 66 P. ⁶ fol. 57^b S. ⁷ lordes & P. lordes in the margin,
 1st corr. S.

I. THESSALONIANS.

And¹ to þe Tessalonycences, suster, he writeþ & seiþ,

- 1 2 We þankeþ God efermore for ȝow alle, & we makeþ
 3 muynde of ȝou efermore wiþ-outen styntyng, hafyng muynde
 of þe werk of ȝoure seiþ, & of ȝoure² trafayle, & of ȝoure
 charyte, & of ȝoure abydyng, & of ȝoure hope of oure Lord
 4 Iesu Crist, to-fore God & oure Fader. And knowe ȝe, my
 5 lefe breþeren, ȝoure eleccyoun of God, for oure euangelye ne
 was noȝt to ȝou onlyche in word, bote in vertu, & in þe holy
 Spiryte, & in gret plente, as ȝe wyteþ whyche we weren in ȝou
 6 for ȝou. And ȝe beþ y-maad soleweres of³ ous, & of oure
 Lord, takyng þe word in myche tribulacyoun, wiþ þe ioie of
 7 þe holy Spiryte; þat ȝe beþ y-maad forme to alle þilke þat
 8 byleueþ in Macedonye & in Achaye. For of ȝou Godes
 [word]⁴ is y-sprongen⁵ a-brood, noȝt onlyche in Macedonye &
 in Achaye, bote in-to eferich place ȝoure seiþ þat is in God is
 y-passed forþ; so þat it is noȝt nedful to speke to ȝou no
 9 þing. For þei scheweþ of ous what entre we haden in-to
 ȝow; & how ȝe beþ y-turned to God fro mawmetes, for-to
 10 seruen a verrey God þat lyueþ, & to abyden his Sone from
 heuene, whom he arered up from deþ to lyf, Iesu, þat haþ
 2 1 delyuered ous from wrapþe þat is to comyng. And ȝe ȝou-
 self knoweþ oure entre to ȝou, & þat it ne was noȝt veyn:
 2 bote furst we suffreden enuyes & disheses, as ȝe wyteþ wel,
 among Phylypences, bote we haden trust in oure Lord God
 3 to⁶ speke to ȝou þe euangelye of God in myche bysynesse. &
 oure exortacyoun ne was noȝt of errour, ne of vnclannesse, ne
 4 in gyle: bote as [we] weren y-prefed by-fore God, & as þe
 euangelye was y-take to ous, so we spekeþ; noȝt as plesyng
 5 to men, bote to God þat prefeþ oure hertes. Ne we weren
 noȝt in no tyme in speche of flateryng, as ȝe wyteþ wel, ne
 6 in⁷ occasyoun of coueytise, God is wyttnesse; ne sechyng
 7 worschupe of ȝou, ne of non oþer, whan we myȝten haue y-be

¹ tessalonycences in the margin, 1st corr.; repeated as a heading through-
 out in a late hand, S. ² oure, fol. 66^b P. ³ fol. 58 S. ⁴ word in
 a late hand, P. ⁵ s added above the line, S. ⁶ fol. 67 P. ⁷ in no P.
 nota in the margin, S.

chargeful¹ to you, as Cristes aposteles. Bote we were y-maad as smale children among you², riȝt as a norysche þat nore-scheþ hure chuldren: so we han desyred you & wolden noȝt 8 onlyche haue y-take to you þe euangelye, bote also oure owne soules, for ȝe weren leuest to ous. And³ breþeren, ȝe haueþ 9 mynde of oure trauayl & of oure werynesse: for day & nyȝt we wroȝten, for we ne wolden greue none of ȝow, ne be chariaunt, and precheden to ȝow þe euangelye of God. & ȝe 10 beþ wytnesses, & God also, hou holylyche & ryȝtfullyche and wiþ-uten blame we weren to you þat byleueden, as ȝe wyteþ 11 wel, & preyenge eferichone of you as a fader his chyldren, & 12 comfertynge you, & wytnessed to ȝow, þat ȝe walken worþilyche to⁴ God, þat haþ ycleped ȝow in-to his kyngdom & in-to his blisse. & þerfore we þankeþ God wiþ-uten stundynge⁵, for 13 whanne ȝe hadden vnderfongen of ous þe word of þe herynge of God, ȝe vnderfongen it noȝt as mennes word, bote as þe word of God verreylyche, þat worcheþ in you þat han byleued. For breþeren, ȝe beþ y-mad foleweres of Godes churches þat 14 beþ [in] Iudee in Iesu Crist: for ȝe han y-suffred þe same þinges of oure felowchupes, þat þei habbeþ of Iewes; þat slowen 15 Iesus⁶ þat is God & þe prophetes⁷ also, & ous þei han purswed, & þei ne pleseth noȝt God, & to alle men þei beþ aduersaries: forbedynge ous to speke to mysbylefed men þat þei ben 16 y-saued; þat þei fulfullen efermore hure synnes: for þe wrappe of God is y-comen on hem to þe ende. And breþeren, 17 we þat ben desolat from you [for a tyme], in m[o]u[þ]⁸ & in byholdynge, & noȝt in herte, haueþ⁹ muche y-hyȝed to sen ȝoure vysage wiþ muche desyr: & ich wolde haue y-come 18 to you ones & eftsones, bote Sathanas letted me. Whuche is 19 oure hope, oþer oure ioie, oþer þe corone of oure blisse? Ne be ȝe þat noȝt byfore oure Lord Iesu Crist in his comynge? ȝe beþ oure blysse & oure ioie. 20

And³ for we myȝten no lengere abyden, it plesed ous to 1 3 lyfen al-one at Athenys: & senden to ȝow Tymothe, oure 2

¹ *chargeful* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ² fol. 58^b S.

³ *Nota* in the margin, S. ⁴ fol. 67^b P. ⁵ *stundynge* P. ⁶ *Jesus...*

prophetis in late hand on erasure, P. ⁷ many S.P. *Vulg.* desolati a

vobis ad tempus horre. ⁸ fol. 59 S. ⁹ fol. 68 P.

broþer & Goddes seruaunt in þe euangelye of Crist, to con-
 3 ferme 3ow, & to byseche 3ou for 3oure feiþ; þat noman be
 y-mefed in þese trybulacyons; for 3e wyteþ 3ow-selfe þat in
 4 þis we beþ y-sett. For whenne we weren wiþ 3ow, we tolden
 3ou þis byfore, þat we schulden suffre trybulacyones; as it is
 5 y-don, & as 3e knoweþ. And þerfore y ne abode no lengere,
 bote sende to knowe 3oure feiþ, lest he þat tempteþ haue
 6 y-tempted 3ou, & oure trauayle be y-mad veyn. Bote now
 when Tymothe comeþ from 3ou to ous, & telleþ ous 3oure
 feiþ & 3oure charyte, & þat 3e han good mynde on ous, &
 7 þat 3e wolden sen ous, as we wolden 3ow. & þerfore, breþeren,
 we beþ ycoumforted in 3ow in al oure¹ nede & al oure¹
 8 trybulacyoun þorȝ 3oure feiþ: for now we lyfeþ, zif þat 3e
 9 stondeþ in oure Lord. & what þankynges mow we zelde to
 God for 3ow in al oure ioye, þat we ioyeþ for 3ow to-foren
 10 oure God; preyenge boþe nyȝt & day þat we sen 3oure
 vysage, & þat we fulfullen þilke þinges þat lakkeþ to 3oure²
 11 feiþ. Bote God oure Fader, & oure Lord Iesu Crist, dresse
 12 oure weye to-ward 3ow: & God multiplye 3ou & encrece
 3oure charyte³ to-gedere, & to alle men, ryȝt as we beþ in
 13 3ow: to conferme 3oure hertes wiþ-outen blame in holynesse
 to-fore God oure Fader, in þe comynge of oure God Iesu⁴
 Crist wiþ alle his seyntes.

- 4 1 And þerfore, breþeren, here-after we preyed 3ow and
 bysecheþ 3ou in oure Lord Iesus, þat, ryȝt as 3e han vnder-
 fongen of ous how it byhoueþ 3ou to walken & to plesen God,
 2 so walke 3e, þat 3e wexen more plenteuous. For 3e knoweþ
 3 whyche hestes ich haue 3eue 3ow þorȝ oure Lord Iesus. &
 þis is þe wyl of God, 3oure holynesse, þat 3e abstene 3ow from
 4 fornycacion; þat eferech man of 3ow conue⁵ owe his vessel in
 5 holynesse & in worschupe, noȝt in passyoun of lust as folke
 6 þat knoweþ noȝt God; ne no man oferpasse ne bygyle his
 broþer in chaffarynge: for God is wrachful of alle suche men,
 as we han y-sayd 3ou herbyfore, & y-wytressed it to 3ow.
 7 For God ne haþ noȝt y-cleped ous in-to vnclannesse, bote
 8 in-to holynesse. & þerfore who þat dyspyseþ þese þinges, he

¹ 3oure P.² oure P.³ fol. 68^b P.⁴ Iesu twice, P.⁵ e in the margin, S.

ne dispyrēþ noȝt man, bote God, þat haþ y-ȝefen his holy Spiryt in ous. Of charite of breþerhede we ne haueþ no 9 nede to wryte to ȝou: for of God ȝe han y-lernd ȝow-selfe, how ȝe schulen l[o]ue¹ to-gedere; for [ȝe doþ] þat to alle 10 ȝowre breþeren in al Macedonye. Bote, breþeren², we prøyēþ ȝow³, þat ȝe ben aboute to beu in reste, & þat ȝe don 11 ȝoure werk, & worchen wiþ ȝoure honde, as we han y-bede ȝou & y-sayd ȝow her-byfore; þat ȝe walken honestlyche to hem þat⁴ ben wiþ-uten-forþ, desyrynge no þing of no mannes. Bote, breþeren, we ne woleþ noȝt þat ȝe ben 12 vnkunnyng of hem þat beþ slepyng; þat ȝe ben noȝt drery, as oþer men, þat habbeþ non hope. For ȝef we byleseþ 13 þat Iesu was ded, & þat he ros⁵ up from deēþ to lyfe, so God schal bryngen þilke þat haseþ y-sleped by Iesus wiþ hym. For þis we seggeþ in þe word of God, þat we þat lyfeþ & beþ 14 þe resydue in þe comynge of oure Lord, ne schuleþ noȝt gon byforen hem þat han y-slept byfore. For oure Lord in his 15 commaundyng, & in þe voyce of an archaungel, & in þe trompe of God, schal come adown from hefne: & þilke þat beþ dede in Crist schuleþ rysen⁶ up furst: & siþþe we þat 16 lyfeþ, þat beþ y-laft, schulen ben y-rauysched to-gedere wiþ hem in clowdes, to mete with Cryst in þe eyr: & so we schuleþ efermore ben with oure Lord. & þerfore be ȝe 17 y-comforted to-gedere in these wordes.

Bote of þe tymes & of þe momentes, my breþeren, it 1 5 nedēþ noȝt þat y wryte to ȝou. For ȝe wyteþ ȝou-selfe⁷ þat ȝe day of oure Lord schal come as a þef by nyȝte. For⁸ 3 whanne me seiþ þat þer is pees & sekernesse, þanne schal þer come a sodayn deþ, as þe sorow of a⁹ womman þat bereþ a chylde; bote þei ne schuleþ noȝt fleu a-wey. Bote, breþeren, 4 ȝe be noȝt in derknesse, þat þilke day take ȝow as a þef: for 5 alle ȝe beþ chyl dren of lyȝt, & Goddes chyl dren, & ȝe beþ nouþer of nyȝt, ne of derknesse. And þerfore ne slepe we 6 noȝt, as oþer men, bote wake¹⁰ we & be we sober. For þilke 7

¹ *lyue* S.P. nota in the margin, S. ² fol. 69 P. ³ *Vulg.* Rogamus autem vos fratres ut abundetis magis. ⁴ fol. 60 S. ⁵ *a* ros P. ⁶ *risen* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ⁷ fol. 69^b P. ⁸ *e* in the margin, S. ⁹ om. P. ¹⁰ fol. 60^b S.

þat slepeþ, þei slepeþ a-nyȝt; & þilke þat beþ dronken, beþ
 8 dronken a-nyȝt; bote we þat beþ of þe day, be we sober, and
 caste we up-on ous an haberioun of seiþ & of charyte, & an
 9 helm þat is hope of hele. For God ne haþ noȝt y-put ous
 in-to wrappe, bote in-to getyng of hele þoroȝ oure Lord Iesu
 10 Crist, þat dyed for ous, þat, wheþer we waken oþer slepen, we
 11 lyfen to-gedere wiþ hym. Wherefore be ȝe y-coumforted to
 12 God, & eferich man edyfye oþer, as ȝe doþ. And, breþeren,
 we preyeþ ȝow þat ȝe know hem, þat traunayleþ a-mong ȝow,
 13 & beþ abofen ȝou in oure Lord, & warne ȝou, þat ȝe han hem
 more plenteuouslyche in charite for hure werk; & ¹ haue ȝe
 14 pees wiþ hem. And, breþeren, we preyeþ ȝow þat ² ȝe
 a-menden vn-peasyble men, & comferteþ men of smal soule, &
 15 vnderfongeþ seke men, & be ȝe pacyent to alle men. & lokeþ
 þat no man ȝelde to oþer yfel for yfel; bote efermo swe þe
 16 þing þat is good, eferich man to oþer, & to alle men. & ioie
 17, 18 ȝe efermore; & preye ȝe wiþ-oute stuntinge; & in alle þinges
 do ȝe þankynges to God: for þis is Godes wille in Iesu Crist
 19, 20 in ³ alle ous. Ne quenche ȝe noȝt þe Spiryte; ne dyspyse ȝe
 21 noȝt prophecyes; prefeþ alle þinges, & holdeþ þat þing þat ⁴ is
 22, 23 good; & absteneþ ȝou from al yfel. & he þat is God of pees
 halewe ȝou by alle þinges, þat ȝoure spyrte, ȝoure soule, &
 ȝoure body be y-kept hol wiþ-uten playnt in þe comyng of
 24 oure Lord Iesu Crist. & þe trewe God þat haþ y-cleped ȝou,
 25 he schal don hyt. Breþeren, preye ⁵ ȝe for ous.

II. THESSALONIANS.

1 3 And ⁶, breþeren, we oweþ to þanke God efermore for ȝou,
 as it is worþi, for efermore ȝoure seiþ waxeþ, & ȝoure charite
 4 waxeþ plenteous of eferichone to oþer; so þat we ous-selfe
 ioieþ in ȝou in Goddes churches for ȝoure pacyence & ȝoure
 seiþ in alle persecucyons and ȝoure tribulacyounes þat ȝe
 5 suffreþ, in ensample of þe ryȝtful dom of God; þat ȝe ben
 y-had ⁷ worþy to ⁸ þe kyngdom of God, for whom ȝe suffreþ:
 6 ȝif it be ryȝtful to-fore God to ȝelde trybulacyoun to þilke þat

¹ e in the margin, S.
 erasure, S.

² fol. 61 S.

³ fol. 70 P.

⁴ An P.

⁵ & P.

⁷ y om. P.

⁶ þing þ' on

⁸ fol. 70^b P.

anuyeh you, & to you þat haueþ trybulacyoun, reste wiþ ous¹, 7
in þe reualacyoun of oure Lord Iesu Crist from hefne wiþ þe
angeles of his vertu, doyng veniaunce in lye of fuyr in hem 8
þat ne haueþ noȝt y-knowe God, [& þat] ne beþ noȝt buxom to
þe euangelye of oure Lord Iesu Crist: & þei schulleþ zeuen 9
eferlastyng peynes in deþ from þe face of oure Lord & þe
blisse of his vertu, whenn þat he comeþ to ben y-gloryfied 10
in his seyntes, & to ben wondrousful in alle þilke þat han
byleued, & oure witnesse schal ben y-lefed on you, in þat
day. & we preyeh euermore for you, þat God souche saaf to 11
clepe you þoroȝ his clepyng, and fulfulle al þe wyll of his
goodnesse & þe werk of feyþ in verteu; þat þe name of oure 12
Lord Iesu Crist be y-claryfied in you, & 3e wiþ hym þoroȝ þe
grace of oure Lord Iesu Crist.

Bute breþeren, we preyeh you by þe comyng of oure 1 2
Lord Iesu Crist, & of oure congregacion in-to² þe same þing,
þat 3e ben³ noȝt sone y-mefed from youre wyt, ne þat 3e ben 2
noȝt afrayed, as þouȝ þe day of oure Lord were y-come, nouþer
by epystel, as þoȝ heo were y-send from⁴ ous, ne by spiryt, ne
by word; ne no man bygyle you in no manere: for bote 3if 3
þat þer come dissencyoun furst, & he be y-schewed, þat is
man of sunne & child of perdyacyoun, þat is aduersary & 4
y-hofen up a-bofen alle þinge þat is y-cleped God oþer
heryed, so þat he sytte in þe temple⁵ of God, schewyng hym-
selfe as þouȝ he were a God. Ne holde 3e noȝt, þat þese 5
þynges y sayde to you, whyles þat ich was wiþ you? & þat 6
wiþholdeþ now 3e knoweh, þat he be y-schewed in his tyme.
For he wercheþ now þe mystery of wykkednesse: onlyche þat 7
he þat holdeþ now, holde he, forto he⁶ be y-don out of þe
myddel. And þanne þilke wykked schal ben y-schewed, 8
whom oure Lord Iesus schal slen wiþ þe spiryt of his mounþ,
& schal distroyen hym þoroȝ þe schynyng & þe brytnesse of 9
his comyng; hym, whos comyng is þoroȝ þe worchyng of 9
Sathanas in eferich vertu & syngnes & false wondres, & in 10
eferych bygyllyng of wykkednesse to þilke þat⁷ peryscheþ;

¹ e in the margin, S.² fol. 61^b S.³ ne ben P.⁴ fol. 71 P.⁵ temple repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.⁶ he altered from be, S. be P.⁷ þ inserted above the line in a later hand, S.

for þei ne haueþ noȝt reſceyued þe charite of treuwe þat þei
 weren y-maad ſaf. & þerfore God ſchal ſende to hem a
 11 worchyng of errour, þat þei bylefen to leſyng; & þat alle
 þei ben y-demed þat bylefeþ noȝt to þe treuwe, bote as-
 12 ſenteden to wykkedneſſe. Bote we oweþ eſermore¹ to
 þanke God for ȝow, þat² beþ y-lofed of God, þat God haþ
 y-chosen ous þe furſte fruyt in-to hele in þe³ holynneſſe of
 13 Spiryte & feiþ of treuwe, in þe whiche God haþ y-cleped ȝou
 by oure⁴ euangelye, in getyng of þe bliſſe of God & of oure
 14 Lord Ieſu Criſt. & þerfore, breþeren, ſtonde ȝe, & holdeþ þe
 tradicyones þat ȝe han y-lerned, wheþer it be by word, oþer
 15 by oure epiſtel. And oure Lord Ieſu Criſt, & God oure
 Fader þat lofed ous & haþ y-ȝeſen ous an eſerlaſtyng com-
 16 fort & a good hope in grace, conferme ȝoure hertes in eſerich
 good werk & good word.

3 1 And breþeren, her-aſtur preyþ for ous, that Goddeſ word
 2 renne & be y-claryfied, as it is wiþ ȝou; & þat we ben
 delyuered from vncōſenabel men & wykked; for þe feiþ ne is
 3 noȝt of alle men. Bote God is trewe, þat ſchal conferme ȝow
 4 & kepe ȝou from yuel. & we truſteþ in ȝow in God, þat ȝe
 doþ & ſchulen don þilke þinges þat we haſeþ y-bede ȝou don.
 5 And oure Lord dreſſe ȝoure hertes in þe charite of God, & in
 6 þe pacyence of Criſt. And breþeren, we chargeþ ȝou in þe
 name of oure Lord Ieſu Criſt, þat ȝe wiþ-drawe ȝou from
 eſerich broþer þat walkeþ in-ordynatlyche⁵, & noȝt after þe
 7 tradycyon⁶ þat ȝe han vnderfongen of ous. And ȝe ȝouſelfen
 wyteþ hou it byhoſeþ ȝou to ſolewen ous; for we ne were not
 8 vnpeſybel a-mong ȝow, ne eten noȝt oure bred of no manneſ
 ȝefyng, bote traunayleden & weren wery boþe nyȝt & day, for
 9 we ne wolden noȝt chargen no man of ȝou: noȝt as þoȝ we
 haden y-had no power, bote for we wolden⁷ ȝeſen ous-ſelfe
 10 forme to ȝou, how ȝe ſchulden ſolewen ous. For whyles þat
 ich was wiþ ȝow, þiſ y ſayde to ȝow, He þat ne wol not
 11 traſaylen, ne ete he noȝt⁸. For we herden þat þer weren
 ſumme a-mong ȝow⁹, þat walkeden in reſte, worchyng no

¹ fol. 71^b P.² fol. 62 S.³ om. P.⁴ ȝoure P.⁵ nota in

margin, S.

⁶ fol. 72 P.⁷ fol. 62^b S.⁸ ete he noȝt repeated

in the margin, 1st corr. S.

þing, bote doyngē coryouslyche bure þingea. And we chargeþ 12
 suche men & bysecheþ hem in oure Lord Iesu Crist, þat þei
 worchen in sylence & eten bure bred. Bote breþeren, ne 13
 sayle 3e noȝt wel doyngē. And hwo¹ þat ne boweþ noȝt to 14
 oure word by þis epystel, marke 3e² hym, & ne medleþ noȝt
 wiþ hym, þat he be confounded. Bote ne hokle hym not³ as 15
 ȝoure enemy, bote amendeþ hym as ȝoure broþer. And God⁴ 16
 of pces he graunte ȝou pees in eferich place. And God be
 wiþ ȝow alle.

HEBREWS.

And⁵ to þe children of Israel, suster, he wryteþ & seiþ,
 God haþ y-spoken in many maneres sumtyme in⁶ prophetes 1
 to oure fadres, bote al-þer last in þese dayes he haþ y-spoken 2
 to ous in his Sone, whom he haþ y-ordeyned to ben eyr
 of alle þinges, by whom also he made þe worldes; & he is þe 3
 brytnesse of his blisse, & þe fygure of his substaunce, berynge
 alle þinges þoroȝ þe word of his vertu, & makynge þe pur-
 gacyoun of synnes, he syt on þe ryȝt syde of þe mageste an
 hyȝ in hefne; so muche y-maad betur þan aungeles, in as 4
 muche as he haþ an-heryted a different name to-foren hem.
 For to whuche of þe aungeles haþ God y-sayd in any tyme, 5
 þou art my Sone, to⁷ day ich haue bygete þe? & eftsones,
 Ich wole be to hym a Fader & he schal be my Sone? And 6
 eftsones whan he bryngeþ his furst bygeten sone in-to þe
 worlde he sayþ, & alle his aungeles heryen hym. & to 7
 aungeles he seiþ, He makeþ his aungeles spirytes & þi ser-
 fautes lye of þe⁸ fuyr. Bote to þe sone he seiþ, þi throne, 8
 God, is from worlde to worlde; & a ȝerde of equitye þe ȝerde
 of þi kyngdom. þou hast y-lofed riȝtfulnesse & y-hated 9
 wykkednesse; wherfore þi God haþ a-noynted þe wiþ oyle of
 gladnesse to-fore þi felawes. &, Lord, in þe⁹ bygynnyngē þou 10
 foundedest þe erþe, & hefnes beþ þe werkes of þyn honden:

¹ ho P.² 3e inserted above the line, S.³ in margin, 1st corr. S.⁴ Hebreos in margin, 1st corr.; repeated in a late hand as a heading
 throughout the epistle, S.⁵ fol. 72^b P.⁶ fol. 63 S.⁷ om. P.⁸ þi P.

11 þei schuleþ perysche, bote þou schalt efermore¹ duelle style:
 12 & alle þei schuleþ waxen old as cloþinge; & as an helynge
 þou schalt chaungen hem, & þei schuleþ ben y-chaunged:
 bote þou art efermore on, & þi ȝeres ne schuleþ noȝt faylen².
 13 Bote to whom of þe aungeles haþ he y-sayd hier-byfore, Sitte
 on my ryȝtsyde, for-to þat y putte þin enemyes a stol vnder
 14 þi feet? Ne beþ noȝt alle þe spirites serfauntes, & y-send
 for-to seruen for hem þat takeþ þe erytage of hele?

- 2 1 And þerfore it byhoueþ ous more largelyche³ to kepen
 þilke þinges þat we han y-h[er]ed⁴, lest þat we fleten away⁵.
 2 For ȝif þat word þat was y-maad by aungeles was ferme &
 stabel, & eferich priuaricacyoun & in-obedyence haþ vnder-
 3 songen a ryȝtful rewardyng to mede; how schule we ascape,
 ȝef we⁶ dyspyseþ þus gret an hele? þe whuche hele, whan it
 hade y-take a bygynnyng to ben y-told by oure Lord, of hem
 4 þat herden in ous heo is confermed, God beryng wyttnesse in
 sygnes & wondres, & dyuerse vertues & delynges of þe Holy
 5 Gost, aftur his owene wylle. And God ne made noȝt þe
 worlde þat is to comen, of whom we spekeþ, of soget to
 6 aungeles. Bote on⁷ wyttnesseþ in a place & sayþ, What is
 man, þat þou hast mynde of hym? oþer mannes sone, þat
 7 þou⁸ vysytest hym? þou hast y-mad hym lytel lasse þan
 aungeles, & þou hast corowned hym wiþ ioȝe & wiþ wor-
 schupe, & þou hast y-ordeyned hym up-on þe werkes of þin
 8 honden: alle þinges þou hast y-mad soget vnder his fet. &
 in þat it haþ y-mad alle þinges soget to hym, he ne lefed no
 þing þat ne was soget to hym. Bote ȝet we ne seþ noȝt alle
 9 þinges soget to hym. And we seþ hym þat was y-mad luytel
 lasse þan aungeles, Iesus, for þe suffreng of deþ y-corowned
 wiþ ioȝe & wiþ worschupe, þat [he þoroȝ]⁹ þe grace of God
 10 schulde for alle men taste þe deþ. For it bysemed hym,
 þoroȝ whom beþ alle þinges, & for whom beþ alle þinges, þat
 ladde wiþ hym many chylðren in-to blisse & was auctor of
 11 hure hele, to hafe an ende by passyoun. For he þat haleweþ,

¹ fol. 73 P.² *finem* in the margin, in a xvth century hand, S.³ *r* added above the line, S.⁴ *y hyȝed*, S.P. *Vulg.* *audivimus*.⁵ *lest*precedes *awry*, P.⁶ fol. 63^b S.⁷ *Ion* with *i* added in darker ink, S.on P. ⁸ fol. 73^b P.⁹ *Vulg.* *ut gratia Dei pro omnibus gustaret mortem*.

& þei þat beþ y-halewed, alle þei beþ of¹ on; for whuche enchesoun he ne is noȝt a-schamed to clepen hem his breþeren, seyenge, Y wol telle þi name to my breþeren, & in² 12 þe myddel of þe³ churche y wole⁴ herye þe. & eftsones, Y⁵ wole haue turst in hym. & eftsones, Lo y & my chyldren⁶ 13 þat God haþ y-ȝefe me. And þerfore for chyldren han⁷ 14 y-comuned to his flesch & his blod, he haþ also y-parted wiþ hem; þat þoroȝ deþ he wole distroyen hym þat hade þe empyre of deþ, þat is, þe defel; & wolde delyueren hem þat⁸ 15 in drede of deþ by al hure lyf weren⁹ soget to þraldom. For 16 nowȝers he toke aungeles, bote he toke þe sed of Abraham. Wherefore he owed by alle þinges to ben y-lekened to 17 breþeren, þat he were y-mad mercyful & a trewe byschop to-fore God, to forȝefen his pepel hure synnea. For in þat he¹⁰ 18 suffred & was y-temptyd, he is myȝty to helpen þilke þat beþ y-tempted.

Wherefore, ȝe holy breþeren þat beþ partyneres of an¹¹ 3 hefenlyche clepyng, byholde ȝe þe apostul & þe byschop of ȝoure knowlechyng, Iesus, þat is trewe to hym þat made¹² 2 hym, as Moyses was in al his hous. Bote þes is worþi to 3 muche more worschupe þan Moyses, as muche more as he is worþi þat makeþ an hous¹³ þan þe hous. For eferich hous is 4 y-buld of sum man; bote he þat made alle þinges he is God. & Moyses was trewe in al his hous as a serfaunt, in witnesse 5 of þilke þinges þat weren to seyen þer-aftur. Bote Crist 6 is as a sone in his hous; whyche hous we beþ, ȝef it so be þat we holden oure trust & þe ioie of oure hope sadlyche to þe ende. Wherefore þe Holy Spiryȝt saiþ, To day ȝef ȝee 7 hereþ his voyce, ne harde ȝe noȝt ȝoure hertes, after¹⁴ þe day & of temptacyoun, þat ȝoure fadrus tempteden¹⁵ me in desert, where þei prefeden me and syen my werkes fourty ȝerea. 9 Wherefore ich was wroþ to þis generacyoun, & y seyde, Þese 10 erreþ efermore in hure herte: bote þei knewen noȝt my weyes; & y swor to hem in my wrappe, þat þei ne schulden 11 noȝt entren in-to my reste. And breþeren, loke ȝe, wheþer 12

¹ om. P. ² fol. 64 S. ³ y wole haue trust...eftsones added in a later hand, P. ⁴ fol. 74 P. ⁵ Bous, error for Hous, repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ⁶ fol. 64^b S. ⁷ fol. 74^b P. ⁸ e in the margin, S.

per¹ be in any of you an esel herte of vnbylese, to departen
 13 you from þe lyfyng God; bote prefeþ you-selfe by eferich
 day, whyles þat þis day is nempned, wheþer eny of you be y-
 14 harded þoroþ þe fallas of synne: for we beþ y-mad partyneres
 of Crist, zef þat we holdeþ þe bygynnyng of his substaunce
 15 to þe ende: whyles it is y-sayd, To day zef ze hereþ his voya,
 ne harde ze noþt zoure hertes, as þei duden in hure tarrynge.
 16 For summe tarreden hym, bote noþt alle pilke þat comen out
 17 of Egypt by Moyses. Bote to whom was he wroþ fourty zere?
 bote to pilke þat synneden, whos careynes weren þrowen
 18 a-down in desert. And to whom swor he þat þei schulden
 noþt entren in-to his reste, bote to pilke þat weren vnbylesyng?
 19 & we seþ þat þei ne myȝte not entren in-to his reste for hure
 vnbylesyng.

4 1 And þerfore drede we, leste þe byheste be y-laste to
 entren² in-to his reste, leste þer be y-founde any of ous sayle
 2 þer-hennes³. For it is y-told to ous, as it was to hem; bote
 þe⁴ word þat þei herden ne profyted hem noþt, for it ne was
 3 noþt y-medled wiþ bylese. For we þat haueþ bylesed schuleþ
 entren in-to reste⁵, as he sayde, As ich haue y-swore in my
 wrappe, þei ne schuleþ noþt entren in-to my reste. And
 whanne in þe bygynnyng of þe worlde he hade performed
 4 his werkes, he saiþ in on place of þe⁶ seseþe day in þis wyse,
 5 God rested þe seseþe day⁷ from alle his werkes; & in þis
 6 place also, þei ne schuleþ noþt entren in-to my reste. And
 for þat summe entreden in-to þat reste, & pilke þat weren
 byfore to whom it was y-told, ne entrede noþt in-to þat reste,
 7 þerfore he setteþ a certeyn day, To day, in Dauyd seyenge as
 it is y-sayd aboven, astur so muche tyme, To day zef ze hereþ
 8 his voya, ne harde ze noþt zoure hertes. And zef Iesus hade
 y-jesen hem reste, he ne wolde ueser astur han y-spoken of
 9 þis day. And þerfore þer is y-last a day of reste to Goddes
 10 pepel. For he þat entred in-to his reste, he rested from his
 11 werkes, as God dude from his werkes. & þerfore hyȝe we to
 entren in-to þat reste, þat no man falle in-to þat ensampel of

¹ þer in the margin, 1st corr. S.

² fol. 75 P.

³ h above the line;

second n on erasure, S. þer enne, P.

⁴ fol. 65 S.

⁵ ste on erasure, S.

⁶ om. P.

⁷ god rested þe seseþ day repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

vnbylese. For Goddes word is lyfyng, & spedful, &¹ more ¹²
 persyng þan eny two-egged swerd: for he cometh to þe
 departyng of þe soule & of þe spiryt, & of þe myndes & of
 þe maryzes, & knowere of þotes & of þe² willes of þe herte.
 & þer ne is no creature invysybel in his syjt. Bote alle ¹³
 þinges beþ naked &³ opne to his yen to whom oure speche is.
 And þerfore we þat haueþ a gret byschop þat haþ y-persed ¹⁴
 hefnes, Iesu Goddes Soue, holde we þe knowlechyng of oure
 hope. For we ne haueþ no bischop þat ne may haue com- ¹⁵
 passyoun to oure infirmytees, þat haþ ben y-tempted by alle
 þinges to oure lyknesse wiþ-oute synne. And þerfore go we ¹⁶
 wiþ trust to þe throne of his grace, þat we han mercy &
 y-fynden grace in cofenabel help.

For euerych byschop þat is y-taken up of men, he is ¹ **5**
 y-ordeyned for men in þese þinges þat beþ to God: to offren
 giftes & sacryfices for oure synnes; þat may sorowen wiþ ²
 hem þat beþ vnkunynge & erreþ, for he hymselfe is
 enuyroned aboute wiþ infirmyte; and þerfore he is y-holde ³
 to offren for hym-self & his synnes, as for þe pepel & hure
 synnes. Ne no man takeþ worschype⁴ to hymselfen, bote he ⁴
 þat is y-cleped of God, as Aaron. So Cryst ne claryfyed nojt ⁵
 hym-selfen, þat he were y-maad⁵ a byschop, bote he þat spake
 to hym & sayde, þou art my sone, to day ich haue bygete þe.
 As he seiþ in an oþer place, þou art an euerlastyng prest ⁶
 astur þe ordre of Melchysedech. & he in þe dayes of his ⁷
 flesch offred preyeres & bysechynges wiþ gret cry & wiþ teres
 to hym þat myzte safen hym from deþ, & for his reverence he
 was y-herd. And zet whan he was Goddes sone, he lerned ⁸
 obedyence of þinges þat he suffred; & he⁶ þat was y-brojt to ⁹
 an ende, was y-maad to alle pilke þat boweþ hem to hym
 a cause of an eferlastyng hele; & of God he was y-cleped ¹⁰
 a byschop astur þe order of Melchysedech. Of whom þer is ¹¹
 to ous a gret speche þat may nojt ben expounded, for 3e beþ
 y-maad ful sebel for-to heren. For þou3 3e oweden to ben ¹²
 maystres⁷ for tyme, 3ow byhoueþ azejnward to ben y-taujt
 whuche beþ þe elementes of þe bygynnyng of Goddes wordes.

¹ fol. 75^a P.
 in the margin, S.

² om. P.

³ fol. 76 P.

⁴ fol. 65^b S.

⁵ fol. 66 S.

⁶ worschype repeated

⁷ y maystres S.P.

And 3e beþ y-maad so þat 3ou byhofeþ mylk¹ & no sad mete.
 13 For eferich man þat is partener of mylk, he is wiþ-outea part
 14 of þe word of ryȝtfulnesse; for he is a smal chyld. Bote sad
 mete is of parfyt men, of hem þat by costom han hure wyttes
 y-vsed to discrecyoun of good and of yuel.

- 6 1 Werfore² we woleþ senden in a word of þe bygynnyng
 of Crist, & passen forþ to a more parfyt; noȝt castyng aȝeyn
 þe foundement of penawnce from dede werkes, & of feiþ³
 2 to God, & of baptysmes, & of techyng also of puttyng
 [in]⁴ of hondes, & of arsyng aȝeyn of dede men, & of þe
 3 eferlastyng dom. & þis we woleþ don, 3ef þat God wole
 4 leten us. For it is im-possybele to þilke þat beþ ones y-lyȝted
 & han y-tasted an hefenlyche ȝefte, & beþ y-made parteneres
 5 of þe holy Spiryte, & han y-tasted also þe goode word of God,
 6 & þe vertues of þe worlde þat is⁵ to comyng, & beþ y-slyde
 a-ȝeyn, to ben renewed aȝen⁶ to penaunce. For þei crucifyeþ
 aȝeyn Goddes sone to hem-seluen, & han hym to a spectakel.
 7 For þe erþe þat drynkeþ þe reyn þat falleþ ofte syþes up-on
 hym, & bryngþ forþ a cofenabel herbe to þilke men þat heo
 8 is y-tyled of, vnderfongeþ blessyng of God: bote ȝef heo
 bryngþ forþ breres & þornes⁷, heo is nyȝ cursyng; & þe
 9 ende þer-of is to ben y-brand. Bote, my lefeste breþeren, we
 trusteþ of 3ou beter þinges and neer to hele, þouȝ we speken
 10 þus: for God ne is noȝt vnryȝtful, þat he wole forȝeten ȝoure⁸
 werk & ȝoure lose þat 3e han y-schewed in his name: for 3e
 11 han y-mynystred to goode men & ȝet 3e doþ. & we desyre
 þat eferich of 3ou schewe oftesyþes þe same bysynesse to
 12 fulfullyng of ȝoure hope to þe ende: þat 3e ben noȝt y-mad
 slowe, bote foleweres of hem þat by feiþ & pacyence schulleþ
 13 an-heryten þe byhestes. For God þat made his byheste to
 Abraham, for he ne hade no grettour to swere by, he swor by
 14 hym-selfe & sayde, Ich wole blesse þe, & ich wole multiplye
 15 þe. And so wiþ his longe abydyng he get his byhesta.
 16 For men swereþ by hym þat is grettur þan þei beþ; & þe

¹ mylk repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ² fol. 76^b P. ³ þe feiþ P.

⁴ & S.P.

⁵ fol. 66^b S.

⁶ e on erasure, S.

⁷ breres þornes

repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

⁸ ȝ added in a later hand, S.

⁹ fol. 77 P.

confirmacyoun of þe ende of eferich ple is an op. In þe whuche 17
þing God, þat wolde schewen to eyres þe immebelnesse of his
conseyl, putte by-twene a gret op: þat þorow tweyne im- 18
mebel þinges, in þe whuche it¹ is im-possybel for God to
lye, we han þe strengest solas; we þat goþ to-gedere to
holde þis forseyd hope, þe whuche we han as a syker & 19
a stabel anker of oure soule, & goynge in-to þe inwardnesse²
of þe huydyng; wher Iesus, oure byfore-goere, entred in 20
for ous, y-mad an eferlastyng byschop aftur Melchysedekes
ordre.

For þes Melchysedek³, kyng of Salem, and a prest of þe: 7
heyeste God, þat mette wiþ Abraham whanne he⁴ come
aþeyn from þe sleynge of kynges, & blessed hym, to whom
Abraham departed þe tenþinges of al his good; & he was
furst y-cleped Kyng of ryztfulnesse, & afturward Kyng of
Salem, þat is, Kyng of pees; wiþ-outen sadur, wiþ-outen 3
moder, wiþ-outen kynrede, nouþer hade [he] bygynnyng of
his dayes ne ende of his lyf, bote y-lykned to Goddes Sone, he
duelleþ stille an eferlastyng prest. Bote byholdeþ how gret 4
þes is, to⁵ whom Abraham ȝef tenþinges þat was on of þe
moste worþy patryarke. For þilke þat weren of þe children 5
of Leui þat vnderfongen presthod haden a comaundement to
take tenþinges of þe pepel, after þe lawe of hure owne
breþeren, þouȝ þat þei passeden out of Abrahames lende.
Bote he whos generacyoun ne is noȝt y-nombred a-mong hem 6
tok tenþinges of Abraham, & blessed hym þat hade þe re-
promyssyones. Bote wiþ-outen any aþeyn-seyenge⁶ þat þing 7
þat is lasse is yblessed of þat þing þat is beter. & here men 8
þat dyeþ takeþ tenþinges; bote þere it is y-wytnessed þat he
lyfeþ. And ȝef it mowe be seyð so, by Abraham Leui, þat 9
vnderfong ten-þinges, was y-tenped; for he was ȝet in his 10
fader lendes, whanne þat Melchysedek mette wiþ hym. And 11
þer-fore ȝef þer hade⁷ y-ben an ende by þe presthod of Leui—
for vnder þat⁸ presthod þe pepel vnderfong þe lawe—what
had it be nedful þat þer hade rysen up an-oþer prest aftur

¹ fol. 67 B.² in om. P.³ melchysedek repeated in the

margin, 1st corr. B.

⁴ fol. 77^b P.⁵ & to S.P.⁶ fol. 67^b B.⁷ fol. 78 P.⁸ þe P.

Melchisedekes order, & noȝt ben y-sayd of þe order of Aaron ?
 12 For ȝef þe presthode be y-translated, it mot nede ben þat þer
 13 be y-mad a translacyoun of þe lawe. For in hym of whom
 þese þinges beȝ y-sayd it is of an-oþer kynrede, of þe whuche
 14 kynrede þer ne was non ordeyned to þe auter. For it is
 open y-knowe þat oure Lord was y-boren of þe kynrede of
 Iuda; in þe whuche¹ kynrede Moyses spak no þing of prestes.
 15 And ȝet furþer-more it is openlyche y-knowe þat, ȝef þer is
 a-rysen up an-oþer prest aftur þe lyknesse of Melchysedech,
 16 þat ne is noȝt y-mad after þe lawe of þe fleschlyche comaunde-
 ment, bote aftur þe vertu of a lyf þat may not ben vndon.
 17 For he bereȝ wytnesse, þat þou art an eferlastyng prest aftur
 18 þe order of Melchisedech. þanne is þe rapere comaunde-
 19 ment reprefed for his infirmyte & his vnprofytabelnesse: for
 þe lawe brouȝte no man to perfeccyoun. Bote þer is a²
 bryngyng in of a betur hope, by þe whuche we neyȝlacheȝ to
 20 God. In as muche as it ne is noȝt wiȝ-uten a gret oȝ—for
 21 þe oþer weren y-mad prestes wiȝ-uten a gret swerynge³; bote
 þes was wiȝ a gret swerynge by hym þat sayde to hym, Oure
 22 Lord haȝ ysworen & it ne⁴ schal noȝt a-þinken hym, þou art
 an euerlastyng prest—& in so muche Iesu Crist is y-made
 23 a byhoter of a beter testament. And þe oþer weren y-mad
 many prestes, for as muche as þoroȝ deȝ þei weren forboden
 24 to dwellen efermore stille: bote þes, in þat he dwelleȝ efer-
 25 more, he haȝ an eferlastyng presthode. Wherefore he may
 efermore safen, neyȝenge by hym-selȝen to God, & lyfyng
 26 efermore to byseche God for ous. For it by-semed þat oure
 byschop were⁵ holy, innocent, im-pollut, departed from synful
 27 men, & y-mad heyȝer þan hefnes; þat haȝ no nede eferich
 day, as oþer prestes, furst to offren for hure owne gyltes
 sacryfyces & seȝþe for þe pepel: for þat he dude ones,
 28 offryng hym-self. And þe lawe ordeyneȝ men to ben prestes,
 þat habbeȝ infirmyte; bote þe word of þe grete swerynge,
 þat is aftur þe lawe, ordeyneȝ þe sone þat is efermore
 parfyt⁶.

¹ om. P.² fol. 68 B.³ fol. 78^b P.⁴ om. P.⁵ wery P.⁶ quod (erasure of two or three letters) *peuytt* follows in a xvith century hand; the same name occurs on ff. 67, 69, 71^b, 73^b, 75^b, S.

A chapytre on¹ pilke pinges þat beþ y-sayd: we han : 8
 suche a byschop, þat sitteþ in þe ryztsyde of þe sege of þe
 Gretnesse of God an hyz in hefne, mynyster² of seyntes & of :
 þe verrey tabernakel, þat God made, & nojt man. For 3
 eferich byschop is ordeyned to offren ȝeftes & sacryfyces:
 wherfore³ it is nedful þat he haue sumwhat forto offren.
 And þerfore ȝef [he]⁴ were up-on þe⁵ erþe, [he]⁶ ne⁷ were no 4
 prest, when þer weren pilke þat schulden offre ȝeftes astur⁸ þe
 lawe, þat serfed to þe ensampler & þe schadewe of hefnelyche 5
 pinges; as it was y-answerd to Moyses, when he schulde
 make þe tabernakel, Loke⁹, God sayde, þat þou make alle
 pinges as it was y-schewed to þe in þe hul. Bote now þer is 6
 y-comen a beter serfyng, by as muche as þe medyatour is of
 a beter testement, þat is y-halewed in beter byhestea. For 7
 ȝef þat rapere hade y-ben wiþ-outen blame, þe place of þe
 secounde ne schulde nojt haue ben y-sojt. Bote God, 8
 blamyng, hem, saiþ, Lo, dayes comeþ, God saiþ, & ich wole
 bryngen on þe hous of Israel & on þe hous of Iuda a newe
 testement; nojt astur þat testement þat y made to hure 9
 fadres in¹⁰ þat day þat y toke hure hond to bryngen hem out
 of þe lond of Egypt; for þei ne dwelled not stille in myn
 testement, & y dyspyssed hem, saiþ God. For pis is þe teste- 10
 ment þat ich wole ordeyne to þe hous of Israel astur pilke
 dayes, God seiþ, ich wole ȝeue my lawe in hure þoujt¹¹, & ich
 wole wryte hym in hure hertes; & ich wole ben hure God, &
 þei schuleþ be my pepel: and eferich man ne schal nojt seye 11
 to his nexte¹² neyȝbore, ne to his broþer, Knowe þou God:
 for alle þei schulleþ knowe me, from þe leste to þe¹³ meste.
 For ich wole forȝeuen hem hure synnes, & y nul nojt haue 12
 muynde on hem þer-aftur. And in¹⁴ suggyng, A newe, he 13
 made þe rapere waxen old. & þat þing þat waxeþ old is nyȝ
 his dystruccion. And þe¹⁵ rapere hade iustifynges & an : 9
 holy seculer.

For þe tabernakel was furst y-mad, in whom þer weren 2

¹ of P. ² fol. 79 P. ³ fol. 68^b S. ⁴ þer S.P. *Vulg.* *et ergo*
esset super terram, nec esset sacerdos. ⁵ om. P. ⁶ & þer S.P.
⁷ of P. ⁸ on erasure, S. ⁹ & S.P. ¹⁰ fol. 79^b P. ¹¹ inserted
 above the line, S. ¹² nexte expunged, S. ¹³ fol. 69 S.

chaundeleres, & a table, & proposycyon of loues; þat is y-sayd
 3 holy þinges. Bote astur þe veyl þer is þe secounde taber-
 4 nakel¹, þat is y-sayd holy þinge of holy þinges, þat hap
 a censer of gold, & þe arke of þe² testament wip helynge on
 eferich syde of gold; in þe arke þer is a pot of gold þat is wip
 manna, & Aarones zerde þat broȝte forþ bowes, & þe tables of
 5 þe testament; & abouen þese³ þinges was Cherubyn of blisse
 [o]ferschadewynge⁴ þe propycyatorye; of whuche it ne is noȝt
 6 now to speken of sundrylyche. & whenne alle þese þinges
 weren þus y-ordeyned, in þe furste tabernakel entred in
 7 prestes efermore, doynge þe offyces of sacryfyces. Bote in
 þe secounde tabernakel⁵ þe byschop al-one, ones in þe ȝer,
 schulde entren in, noȝt wip-uten blod, þat he schulde offren
 8 for his owene vnkunnynghesse & þe peples also: & þis sygny-
 fyep þe Holy Spiryte, þat ȝet noȝt holy mennes lyfyng ne
 was noȝt y-schewed, whiles þe raȝer tabernakel hade his
 9 stondynge; þe whuche parable is of þe tyme þat is nowþe⁶,
 by whom ȝestes and sacryfyces beþ y-offred, þat mowe noȝt
 maken hym þat serfeþ parfyte in his consyence, in metes
 10 & drynkes & dyuerse waschynges & ryzfulnesse of⁷ þe flesch,
 11 þat weren y-ordeyned in-to þe tyme of correccyoun. Bote
 Crist þat is a byschop of goodes þat beþ to comynge, [in]⁸
 a more large & a⁹ more parfyte tabernakel, noȝt y-mad wip
 12 honden, þat is¹⁰ to seyn, noȝt of þis creacyoun, nouþer¹¹ by
 gotes blod ne by calves blod, bote þoroȝ his owne blod he
 entred in-to holy places þat weren y-founden by an efer-
 13 lastynge redempcyoun. For ȝef þat gotes blod oþer boles
 blod, oþer þe aschen¹² of a cow-calf y-spreynd on men, haleweþ
 14 hem þat beþ defouled to þe clansynge of hure flesch: how
 muche more schal Cristes blod, þat by þe Holy Gost offred
 hym-selfe wip-uten wem to God, make¹³ clene hure con-
 15 scyence from dede werkes to serue þe lyuyng¹⁴ God? And
 þerfore he is a medyatour of a newe testament, þat, þoroȝ þe
 bysechyng of deþ in forbuggyng of þe preuarycaciones þat

¹ tabernakel repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ² om. P. ³ þese
 twice, P. ⁴ efersch. S.P. ⁵ fol. 80 P. ⁶ newe P. ⁷ fol. 69^b S.
⁸ & S.P. ⁹ neȝer P. ¹⁰ conrē (expunged) in the text with aschen
 in the margin, probably in the original scribe's hand, S. ¹¹ schal make, S.P.
¹² fol. 80^b P.

weren vnder þe rapere testament, þei taken a byheste þat beþ
y-cleped of an eferlastynge heritage. For þer as is a testa- 16
ment, it is nedful þat þe deþ go bytwene of hym þat oweþ þe
testament. For a testament in dede men is y-confermyd: 17
for it a-vayleþ noȝt whyles he lyueþ þat makeþ þe testament.
Wherefore þe furste ne was noȝt y-halewed wiþ-oute blod. 18
For whanne þat eferich comaundement of þe lawe was y-rad 19
of Moyses to al þe pepel, he toke gotes blod & calves blod,
wiþ water & red wolle & ysope, & spreynde þe bok & al þe
pepel, & sayde, þis is þe blod of þe testament þat God haþ 20
y-send¹ to ȝow. He spreynde also wiþ blod þe tabernakel & 21
alle þe vesseles þat serfeden þer-to. And almost alle þinges 22
beþ y-mad clene wiþ blod aftur þe lawe, & wiþ-uten
schedynge² of blod þer ne is y-mad no remyssyoun. And 23
þerfore it is nedeful þat þe samplers of hefenlyche þinges
ben y-mad clene þoroȝ þese þinges; bote þilke hefenliche
þinges [þo]roȝ³ muche betur þinges þan þese beþ. For Iesu 24
ne entred noȝt in-to holy places y-mad wiþ honden, þat beþ
samplers of verrey⁴ places; bote in-to þe self hefne, þat he
appere now to þe syȝt of God for ous: and noȝt þat he offre 25
felesyþes hym-selfe, as þe byschop doþ wiþ-ynne holy places,
eferich ȝer in an-oþer þinges blod; oþer it hade byhoued hym 26
fele syþes to haue y-suffred from þe bygynnyng of þe worlde.
Bote now he apered ones in þe ende of þe worlde to distrucçioun
of synne by his owne sacrifyce. & riȝt as it was y-ordeyned 27
to men for-to dyen ones & syþþe comen to dom; riȝt so Crist 28
was y-offred ones to þe clensynge of many mennes synnes, &
in þe secounde tyme he schal appere to hem þat abydeþ hym
in-to hele. For þe lawe haþ a schadewe of goodis þat beþ to 10
comynge, & noȝt þat ymage of þinges, [&] eferich ȝer offreþ
þe selfe sacrifyces wiþ-uten cessynge, & may noȝt maken hem
parfyt þat haueþ accesse to hem. For elles me schulde hafe 2
y-cessyd to offren sacrifyces, for as muche as þe doeres
þer-of⁵, ones y-mad clene, ne schulden hafe y-had afturward
no consyence of synne. Bote eferyche ȝer in hem þer is 3
y-mad a muiynde of synnes. For it is impossybel for synnes 4

¹ fol. 70 S.² schendynge P.³ ȝroȝ S.P.⁴ fol. 81 P.⁵ fol. 70^a S.

5 to ben y-don a-wey þoro; gotes blod oþer boles blod. And
 þerfore whanne he comeþ in-to¹ þe worlde, he saiþ, þou ne
 desyredest² noȝt sacryfyce & offrynge, bote þou schapedest to
 6,7 me a body; & holocaustes³ for synne ne plesede þe noȝt: &
 þo y sayde, Lo, y come—in þe bygynnyng of þe bok it is
 8 y-wryten of me—þat y do þi wille, God. & so suggynge
 aboſe, þat þou ne woldest noȝt sacryfyces & offrynges & holo-
 caustes for synnes, ne þei weren noȝt plesynge to þe þat beþ
 9 y-offred aſtur þe lawe, þo y⁴ sayde, Lo, God, y⁵ come þat y do
 þi wille. He doþ away þe raþer, þat he ſtable þat þat
 10 ſoleweþ. In þe whuche wyll we beþ y-halewed by þe
 11 offrynge of þe body of Ieſu Criſt ones. And eferich preſt
 moȝt ben eferich day redy mynſtrynge⁶ & offrynge ſele ſyþes
 12 þe ſame ſacryfyces, þat mowen nefer don away ſynnes: bote
 þes preſt⁷, offrynge on ſacryfyce for ſynnes, ſyttþe efer-
 13 more in þe⁸ ryȝt ſyde of God, abydyng her-aſtur for-to þat
 14 his enemyes ben y-ſett þe ſtool of his ſet. For þoro; on
 15 offrynge he made men holy for efer. For þe Holy Goſt
 16 wytnneþ þat whanne he ſaiþ, þis ſchal be þe teſtament þat
 ich wole make to hem aſtur þilke dayes, ſeiþ God, ich wole
 3eue my lawes in hure hertes, & ich wole⁹ wryte hem in hure
 17 þoȝtes; & y nul byþenke no more of hure wyckedneſſe¹⁰ &
 18 hure ſynnes. & þer as is forȝeueneſſe of þeſe, þer is non
 19 offrynge for ſynne. And þerfore, breþeren, we habbeþ a truſt
 20 in þe entrynge of ſeyntes in Criſtes blod, in þe whuche truſt
 he haþ y-caſt to ous a newe weye & a lyfynge þoro; þe
 21 keſerynge, þat is, þoro; his fleſch; & þoro; a gret preſt vp-on
 22 Godes hous; & come we to hym wiþ a trewe herte in fulneſſe
 of bylefe, & ſpreng we oure hertes from an eſel conſcyence,
 23 & waſche we þe body wiþ clene watyr, & holde we þe know-
 lechyng of oure hope bowynge to no ſyde; for he is trewe of
 24 þat he¹⁰ haþ y-ȝeſen ous a byheſte. And byholde we to-
 25 gedere in ſteryng of charyte & of goode werkes, noȝt
 lefyng oure quyletes, as it is a cuſtom to ſumme men, bote

¹ fol. 81^b P. ² *desyrest* P. ³ *holocaustes*, *þ* is *sacrifices* brent
 added in the margin, 1st corrector's hand, S. ⁴ *om.* P. ⁵ *god* y on
 erasure, S. ⁶ *mynstryng* S. ⁷ *þeſe preſt* S. *þeſe preſtes* P.
⁸ fol. 71 S. ⁹ fol. 82 P. ¹⁰ *he* in the margin, S.

comfertynge eferychone oþer; & so muche þe more as we seþ
 þe day neytlechen. For ȝif þat we synneþ wylfullyche after 26
 þe vnderfongyng of þe knowleche of treweþe, þer ne is noȝt
 y-laft a sacrifyce for oure synnes, bote þer is a dredful 27
 abydyng of þe dom, & þe sewyng fuyr þat schal consume
 þe aduersaryes of Crist. For who þat brekes Moyses lawe, 28
 wiþ-outen any mercy, vnder two oþer þre wytnesses, he is
 y-don to þe deþ; how muche more trewe, ȝef þat he¹ deserfe 29
 grettere tormentynges² þat defouleþ Godes sone, & defouleþ
 þe blod of þe testament, in whom he is y-halewed, & doþ
 wrong to þe Spyrte of grace? For we wyteþ þat he seyde, To 30
 me veniaunce, & ich wole zelden aȝeyn³. & eftsones, For
 God schal demen his pepel. And þerfore it is dredful to 31
 fallen in-to þe hondes of þe lyfyng God. Bote hafe ȝe 32
 muynde of þe rapier dayes, in whom ȝe weren y-lyȝted &
 susteyned a gret batayle of suffrynges; & in anoþer day ȝe 33
 weren y-mad a spectakel to reprefes & trybulacyones; & an-
 oþer day ȝe beþ y-mad felawes of þilke þat han such conuer-
 sacyoun. For ȝe haden compassyoun of hem þat weren 34
 y-bounden, & vnderfongen þe robbyng of ȝoure goodes wiþ
 ioie, knowyng þat ȝe haden a beter substaunce dwellyng in
 hefne. Ne lese ȝe noȝt þanne ȝoure trust þat haþ a gret 35
 rewardyng. For pacyence is nedful to ȝow þat ȝe don þe 36
 wylle of God, þat ȝe bryngen his byheste. And ȝet a lytel⁴ 37
 whyle, & wiþynne a lytel whyle he þat is to comyng schal
 come; & my ryȝtful man lyfeþ of hylese: & ȝef he wiþ-draweþ 38
 his fot he ne schal noȝt plesen his soule. Bote we ne beþ 39
 noȝt chyldren of wyþdrawyng in-to perdyccioun, bote Godes
 chyldren in getyng of þe soule.

Bote⁵ feiþ is þe substaunce of þinges þat beþ to ben 1 11
 y-hoped, & an argument of þinges þat semeþ noȝt. For in 2
 þis olde men han y-had testymonye. þoroȝ feiþ we vnder- 3
 stondeþ þat þe worldes weren y-mad þoroȝ þe word of God,
 & þat of in-vysybel þinges weren y-mad þinges þat mowen
 ben y-seye. þoroȝ feiþ Abel offred a grettere sacrifyce þan 4

¹ he in the margin, S.² fol. 82^b P.³ fol. 71^b S.⁴ ytel on erasure, S.⁵ fol. 88 P.

Caym, þoroʒ whuche he hade wytnesse þat he was rystful. For God ber wytnesse to¹ his zestes: & þoroʒ hure he spak
 5 when þat he was ded. þoroʒ feiþ Enoch was² translated þat he ne seyʒ noʒt deþ; & he ne was noʒt y-founde, for God³ translated hym: for byforen his translacyoun he hade
 6 witnesse þat he plesede God: & wiþ-uten feiþ it is impossybel for-to plesen God: for it byhoueþ þilke þat wollep come to God bylesen þat he is, & to þilke þat secheþ hym
 7 bysylyche he is y-mad a rewarder. And þoroʒ feiþ Noe vnderfong an answeʒe of þinges þat ne were noʒt y-seye byfore, & dredynge, he ordeyned hym a schyp to þe hele of his houshold; by whom he dampned þe worlde, & was
 8 y-mad eyr of þe rystfulnesse þat is þoroʒ feiþ. And þoroʒ feiþ Abraham, y-cleped, obeysched to gon in-to þe place þat he schulde vnderfongen for erytage; & wente forþ, noʒt
 9 knowynge whyder þat he wente. &⁴ þoroʒ feiþ he dwelled in þe lond of byheste, as a straunger, wonyng in⁵ lytel houses, wiþ Ysaac & wiþ Iacob, þat weren eyres wiþ hym of þe same
 10 byheste: for he abod a cyte hauynge foundementes, whos
 11 werk-men & makere was God. And þoroʒ feiþ Sara þat was bareyne vnderfong vertu in consceyfyng of seed & aʒeyn þe tyme of hure age, for heo⁶ bylesed þat he was trewe þat
 12 hade by-hoten hure; wherfore of on beþ many y-boren, & astur þat he was ded, as þe multitude of þe sterres of hefne, & as þe grafel in þe brynke of þe see þat⁷ may noʒt
 13 ben y-nombred. By feyþ alle þese beþ dede, wiþ-uten vnderfongynge of þe byheste, bote byholdynge a-fer þyn[g]e⁸ of⁹ byhestes, & saluwyng hem, & knowlechyng þat þei beþ
 14 pilgrymes & men herborewed on þe erþe. For þei þat seyen
 15 þis sygnyfyþ þat þei secheþ a contray. & ʒef þei haden y-had muynde of þe contray þat þei wenten out of, þei haden
 16 tyme to haue y-turned aʒeyn. Bote now desyreþ a betere, þat is, an hefenlyche contrey. And þerfore God ne is noʒt

¹ fol. 72 S. ² þoroʒ feiþ enoch was saf repeated in the margin,
 1st corr. S. ³ on erasure, S. ⁴ fol. 83^b P. ⁵ in þe P.
⁶ ʒhe P. ⁷ fol. 72^b S. ⁸ þynke with nke on erasure, S. þinge P.
Vulg. non acceptis repromissionibus, sed a longe eas aspicientes.
⁹ of in the margin, S.

y-confounded¹ to ben y-cleped hure God: for he haf y-ordeyned to hem a cyta. And þoro; feiþ Abraham offred Ysaac whan 17 he was y-tempted², & offred his on bygeten sone þat hade vnderfongen þe byheste; for to hym it was y-sayd, In Ysaac 18 þi seed schal ben y-cleped: schewynge þat God is mysty 19 to areren up men from deþ to lyf. Wherefore he vnderfong hym in a parable. & þoro; feiþ of þinges þat weren to 20 comynge, Ysaac blessed Iacob & Esau. & þoro; feiþ Iacob 21 dyynghe blessed Iosephes chyldren, & honoured þe hyzchyp of his 3erde; & þoro; feiþ Ioseph dyynghe hade muynde of 22 þe passynge forþ of þe chyldren of Israel, & comaunded of his bones. And þoro; feiþ Moyses, whan³ he was y-bore, 23 was y-hud þre moneþes of his eldren, for þei seyen þat he was a welfaryng chyld, & dradde noȝt þe kynges comaundement. And þoro; feiþ Moyses [was] y-mad gret and forsok 24 þat he was Pharaoes douȝter sone; desyryng more to ben 25 y-peyned wiþ Goddes peple, þan for-to haue temporel murþe of synne; trowynge þe obbroyd⁴ of Crist grettour rychesse 26 þan þe tresour of Egypcyenes: for he byheld in-to þe remuneracyoun. þoro; feiþ he lefed Egypt, noȝt dredynge 27 þe boldschype of þe kyng; for he⁵ abouȝt hym þat was in-vysybel as þouȝ he seye hym. þoro; feiþ he halewed 28 pask, and þe schedynge of blod, lest he touched hem þat wasted þe furste⁶ bygeten þinges of Egypcyenes. And þoro; 29 feiþ þei passeden ouer þe Rede See as by druye lond: bote þe Egypcyenes asayeden þat & weren deuoured.

And þoro; feiþ men⁷ of Ierycho fullen a-doun þoro; þe 30 circuyt of sefen dayes. & þoro; feiþ Raab þe hore ne 31 perysched noȝt wiþ oþer þat weren vnbylesed, vnderfongynge þe aspyes wiþ pees. & what schal y seye yet? for tyme 32 wole fayle me to telle of Gedeon, Barac, Sampson, Iepte, Dauyd, Samuel & þe prophetes: þat by feiþ ofer-comen⁸ 33 kyngdomes, & wroȝten ryȝtfulnes, & geten repromyssyones, & stoppeden lyones mowþes, & quencheden þe impetuesnesse 34 of fuyr, & dryfen a-wey þe scharpnesse of sward, & han

¹ y om. P. ² fol. 84 P. ³ an on erasure, P. ⁴ The catchwords at the bottom of fol. 72^b have obbrayd of S. ⁵ om. P. ⁶ fol. 84^b P. ⁷ Vulg. Fide muri Iericho corruerunt. ⁸ cuercomen P.

y-kefered of seknesse, & han [ben y-] mad¹ strong in batayle,
 35 & han y-turned up þe casteles of straunge men. & wymmen
 han vnderfongen hure housbondes arysynge azeyn from deþ
 to lyf: but oþer han y-be wiþholden, nozt underfongynge
 redempcyoun; for þei wolden y-fynde a beter resureccion:
 36 oþer hafeþ assayed dyspysynges & betynges, & prisiones
 37 & byndynge: &² han y-ben y-stoned & to-hewe & y-temptyd,
 & han y-dyed þoroȝ sleynge of swerd. And summe han
 y-gon aboute³ in rouȝ cloþinge of heres, & in gotes skynnes;
 38 nedy & a-nuyed & y-angwysched, to whom þe world ne was
 nozt worþi; errynge in wyldernesse & in hulles & in dennes
 39 & holes of þe erþe. & alle þese⁴, prefed þoroȝ wytnessynge
 40 of feiþ, ne vnderfongen nozt þe repromysyoun: for God
 ordeyned sum þyng beter for us, þat þei ne schulde nozt
 ben y-brozt to ende wiþ-uten ous.

- 12 1 And þerfore we þat hafeþ so gret a cloud of wytnesses
 y-putte to ous, do we a-wey from ous eferich charge & synne
 þat stondeþ abouten ous, & renne we by pacyence to þe
 2 fystrynges þat is y-purposed to ous, byholdynge in-to þe
 auctor & þe bryngere to ende of oure feiþ Iesus, þat whenne
 ioie was y-purposed to hym he suffred þe cros, dispysynge
 confusyoun, & he sytteþ on þe ryȝt syde of þe sege of God.
 3 & þerfore byþinkeþ ȝow on hym þat suffred synful men
 azeyn-seyenge hym, þat ȝe ne ben nozt y-w[e]ryed⁵, faylynge
 4 to ȝoure soules. For ȝet now ȝe ne hafeþ nozt azeynstondynge,
 5 fystrynges azeyn synne, to þe schedynge of ȝoure blod. & hafe
 ȝe forȝeten þe comfort þat God haþ spoken to ous as to his
 chyldren, seyenge, My chyld, ne dispyse þou nozt þe techynge
 of oure Lord, ne be þou nozt y-weryed⁶ whyles þou art
 6 y-prefed of hym; for he chastep þilke þat he louep, & he
 7 scoureþ eferych chyld þat he receyfeþ. Abyde⁷ ȝe styлле in
 techynge, for God ȝefep hymself to ȝow as to his chyldren;
 8 & what chyld⁸ is þere þat þe fader ne chastep nozt? & ȝef
 ȝe beþ out of techynge, whos partyneres ben ȝe y-mad alle?

¹ rp y mad P.; S. has vp (followed by erasure of one letter) mad, the
 p being altered from b. *Vulg.* fortes facti sunt. ² fol. 73^b S. ³ fol. 85^b P.

⁴ þese þei S.P. ⁵ y weryed S.P. *Vulg.* ne fatigemini. ⁶ fol. 85^b P.

⁷ fol. 74 S.

⁸ chyld repeated in the margin, S.

þanne be 3e spousebrekeres & noȝt sones. Furþermore, we 9
 haden fadres þat weren techeres of oure flesh, & we wor-
 schupeden hem : muche more we schulleþ be buxom to þe
 Fader of spirytes, & we schulleþ lyfen. And þei wiþ-ynne 10
 a fewe dayes enformeden ous astur hure owne wylle; bote
 þes to þat þing þat is profytabel, in receyfynge his holynesse.
 Bote eferyche techynge in þis tyme ne semep noȝt to ben 11
 of ioye, bote of dep. Bote afterward he schal zelde to þilke
 þat han wel y-learned þe moste þesful fruyt of ryȝtfulnesse.
 Wherefore rereþ up ȝoure remysse hondes, & ȝowre knees þat 12
 beþ dissolut; & makeþ efene þe goynges to ȝoure fet, þat 13
 no man erre haltynge, bote be rapyr y-heled. & folewe ȝe 14
 þes with alle men, & holynesse wiþouten whom no man schal
 y-seo God. And loke ȝe, þat no man lakke þe grace of God; 15
 ne þat no rote of bytternesse bourgenynge upward latte no
 man, þoroȝ þe whiche many men ben¹ defouled; ne þat no 16
 man be² a lechour, & wycked as Esau, þat for mete solde his
 berytage. For wyte ȝe wel, þat whanne he desyred to hafe 17
 an-heryted þe blessynge, he was reprefed, for he ne fonde no
 place of penaunce, þoroȝ þat he souȝte it wiþ teres. For ȝe ne 18
 beþ noȝt y-come to þe fuyr, þat me may holden & neȝlechen
 þer-to³, ne to þe whyrlewynd & to tempest, ne to þe sown of 19
 a trumpe, ne to þe voys of wordes, whom þilke þat herde
 excuseden hem-selfe, for þat þe voys ne schulde noȝt ben
 y-mad to hem : for þey ne beren noȝt þat þat was y-seyd, & 20
 ȝef a best hade y-touched þe hul, he schulde⁴ hane ben
 y-stoned; & so dredful it was þat was y-seye, for Moyse 21
 seyde, Ich am a-gast & quakyng for drede. Bote ȝe beþ 22
 y-come to þe hul of Syon, & to þe hefenlyche Ierusalem þat
 is þe cyte of þe lyfyng God, & to þe cumpany of many
 þousandes of aungeles, & to þe church of primytyfes þat 23
 beþ y-wryten to-gedere in hefenes, & to þe domesman of alle
 spyrytes & of ryȝtful men & of parfyt men, & to þe medyatour 24
 of a newe testament, Iesus, & to þe schedynge of his blod
 þat spak betere þan Abel. & loke ȝe þat ȝe ne refuse noȝt 25
 hym þat spekeþ. For ȝef þei ne⁵ a-scaped noȝt⁶, þat refuseden

¹ ben...man be on erasure, S. fol. 86 P.
 twice, the first expunged. S.

⁴ om. P.

² fol. 74^b S.

⁵ fol. 86^b P.

³ he schulde

hym þat spak vp-on þe erþe, muche more we ne schuleþ noȝt,
 þat turneþ ous a-wey from hym þat spekeþ to ous from
 26 hefene: whos voyce meued þe erþe sumtyme: bote he
 byhoteþ now & seiþ, ȝet ones, & ich wol meue noȝt onlyche
 27 þe erþe bote hefene also. What is þat, þat he seiþ Ones?
 in¹ þat he declareþ þe translacyoun of mebel þinges, as of
 þinges þat beþ y-don, þat þey þat beþ im-mebel þinges
 28 dwellen styлле. & þerfore we þat vnderfongeþ a kyngdom
 þat is im-mebel hafeþ a grace, þoroȝ whom we schulen
 29 seruen oure God wiþ² drede & wiþ reuerence: for oure God
 13 1 is fuyr þat consumeþ. þe charite of breþerhede dwelle
 2 a-mong ȝow. & ne forȝete ȝe noȝt hospytalite: for þer-þoroȝ
 sum men han y-pleded aungeles in receyuynges hem to
 3 herborewe. & hafe ȝe muynde of hem þat beþ y-bounde,
 as þouȝ ȝe weren y-bounde ȝow-selven; & of hem þat
 4 trafayleþ, as þouȝ ȝe ȝow-selven weren duellynge in body.
 And be þer worschupful wedlak in alle³ þinges, & a bed
 wiþ-uten wem: for God schal deme boþe lecchours &
 5 spousbrekerea. And ben ȝoure maneres wiþ-uten couey-
 tyse⁴, a-payd wiþ present þinges: for God saiþ, Y nul noȝt
 6 lefe þe. So þat we mowen seye trustylyche, My lord is myn
 7 helpere, & y nul not drede what no man do to me. And
 hafe⁵ ȝe muynde of hem þat beþ y-set to-fore ȝow, þat hafeþ
 y-spoke to ȝow Goddus word; & byholde ȝe þe yssew of hure
 8 conuersacyoun, & solewe ȝe hure feiþ. Iesu Crist was ȝurstay
 9 & to day, and he is efermore. Ne be ȝe noȝt y-lad away with
 dyuerse techynges & straunge: for it is best þat þe herte be
 y-stabled in grace; noȝt in metes, þat ne profyted⁶ noȝt to
 10 hem þat walkeden in hem. We han an auter, of whom no
 men han power forto eten bote þilke þat serfeþ in þe taber-
 11 nakel. For of þilke bestes, whos blod is y-boren in-to holy
 places by þe byschop for synne, hure bodyes beþ y-brent
 12 wiþ-uten þe casteles. Wherfore Iesus, for he wolde halewen
 his pepel þoroȝ his blod, he suffred his passyoun with-uten
 13 þe ȝata. & þerfore go we out to hym wiþ-uten þe casteles,

¹ & P.² fol. 75 S.³ in alle in the margin, later hand, S.⁴ ty om. P.⁵ fol. 87 P.⁶ profyted P.

berynge his obbrayd. For we ne haſeþ noȝt¹ here no cyte 14
 þat is dwellynge, bote we ſecheþ on þat is to comen. For 15
 þoroȝ hym we offereþ efermore a ſacrifyce of heryyng to God,
 þat is, þe fruyt of þe lyppys þat knowlecheþ to his name.
 Bote ne forȝete ȝe noȝt of wel doynge & of comunyon, for in 16
 ſyche ſacrifices God is y-worſchuped. & be ȝe buxom & 17
 ſogettes to hem þat beþ aboſe ȝow: for þei wakeþ as for-to
 ȝelden acountes for ȝoure ſoules; þat þei don it wiþ ioȝe
 & noȝt wiþ ſorowe²: for þat ne is noȝt ſpedful to ȝow. & 18
 preyþ for ous: for we truſteþ þat we han a good conſcyence
 in all þilke þat han good wyll to don wel. & þe more 19
 largelyche y preyde ȝow þat ȝe don ſo, in as myche as y ſchal
 þe raþere comen aȝeyn to ȝou. & God of pees, þat broȝte out 20
 from deþ oure Lord Ieſu Criſt, a gret ſchepherde of alle men
 in þe blod of on eferlaſtyng teſtament, ordeyne ȝow in eferich 21
 place þat ȝe don his wyll, & do in ȝow þat be pleaſyng in
 hym by Ieſu Criſt; to whom be ioȝe & blyſſe worlde wiþ-
 outen ende. Amen.

þus, ſuſter, ſeynt Poule haþ y-tauȝt men for-to lyſen þat
 byleueþ in Criſt in his pȝſtelia. And to Tymothe he wryteþ
 on piſtel, how he ſchulde haſen hymſelf in good enſampel to
 oþer men, & ſciþ in þis wyſe,

I. TIMOTHY.

Poule³, Ieſu Criſtes apoſtel⁴ þoroȝ þe comawndynge of 1
 God & oure Safyour, & of Ieſu Criſt oure hope; to Tymothe, 2
 my leſe ſone in feiþ, be grace, mercy, & pees of God oure
 Fader⁵ & oure Lord Ieſu Criſt. As y preyde þe þat þou 3
 ſchuldeſt dwelle ſtylle at Ephese, whanne þat ich wente in-to
 Macedonye, þat þou ſchuldeſt telle to ſumme men, þat þei
 ne tauȝte non oþer wyſe, ne toke no kepe to tales, ne to 4
 genologyes þat haſeþ non ende, þat meueþ raþer queſtyones⁶

¹ fol. 75^b S.² fol. 87^b P.³ of follows, P.⁴ apoſteſtel S.⁵ fol. 76. Tymothe as heading throughout the epiſtles, in a late hand, S.⁶ queſtyones repeated in the margin, S.

5 þan¹ to þe edyfycacyon of God þat is in feiþ. For þe ende of
 þe comaundement is charite of a clene herte & of a good
 6 conscience & of feiþ noȝt [y]-seynd²: from þe whuche þinges
 summe men habbeþ y-erred a-vey & beþ y-turned in-to veyn
 7 speche, & wollep ben doctoures of þe lawe, bote þei ne vnder-
 stondeþ noȝt what þei spekeþ, ne þe þinges þat þey affermeþ.
 8 And we wyteþ wel þat þe lawe³ is good, who-so vseþ hure
 9 lawefullyche, knowynge wel, þat þer ne is no lawe y-set to a
 ryȝtful man, bote to vnryȝtful men, & to þilke þat ne welep
 noȝt ben sogetes, & to wikked men, & to synful men, & to
 cursed men, & to men þat beþ defouled, & to men þat sleþ
 10 hure fadres & hure moderes, & to men-sleares, & to lecchoures,
 & to sodomytes, & to gyloures, & to lyeres, & to men þat beþ
 forswore, & what-eſer elles þat þer be, þat be aȝeyn hol
 11 techynge of þe euangely of blyſſe of God þat is y-blessed, þe
 12 whuche euangely is y-take to me. And y þonke hym þat
 haþ y-comforted me in oure Lord Iesu Crist, for þat he sup-
 13 posed þat ich was trewe & sette me in his ſeruyſe, þat byfore
 was a blaſpheme⁴, & a pursuere, & doynge⁵ iniurye to his
 ſerfauntes: bote ich haue y-founde þe mercy of God, for
 14 vnknowynge y dude it in vnbylefe. Bote þe grace of oure
 Lord Iesu Crist wes⁶ ofer-plentefous⁷ wiþ feiþ & lofe þat is in
 15 Iesu Crist. A trewe word & worþy to ben vnderſonge, þat
 Iesu Crist com in-to þe worlde to ſafe ſynful men; of whom
 16 ich was on of þe furste: bote þerfore ich had mercy, for þat
 Iesu Crist wolde furst ſchewen in me eſerych pacyence, to þe
 informacyon of hem þat ſchulden lyfen to hym in-to an eſer-
 17 laſtynge lyf. Bote to hym þat is Kyng of worldes, & noȝt
 dedlyche, & invyſybel, þat onlyche is God, be worſchype &
 18 blyſſe world⁸ wiþ-oute ende. And þis heſte y bytake þe,
 Tymothe my ſone, þat þou occupye þe after þe prophecyes þat
 19 habbeþ y-ben byfore þis tyme, haſynge a good feiþ & a⁹ good
 conſeynce; whom summe men habbeþ y-put a-vey from hem,
 20 & han y-had ſchypbreche aboute þe feiþ: of þe whuche weren

¹ fol. 88 P. ² in *seynd* S. ³ *y f.* P. ⁴ *lawe* repeated in the margin,
 1st corrector S. ⁵ *blaſphemere* with *re* in a later hand, P. ⁶ fol. 76^b S.
⁷ *whas* P. ⁸ fol. 88^b P. ⁹ *þe w.* P. ¹⁰ *om.* P.

Ymenes¹ & Alysaunder; whom y toke to Sathanas, þat þei lerne þat þei ne blaspheme not God.

And þerfore y byseche þat þer ben furst y-mad of alle : ² men preyer², bysechynges, & þankynges to God for alle men; & for kynges & for alle þilke þat beþ y-ordeyned in a hyzschype; þat we han a pesybel lyfyng & an esy in eferich pyte & chastyte. For þis is³ good & acceptabel to-fore God ³oure Safyours, þat wole þat alle men ben y-safed, & þat þei ⁴comen to þe knowlechyng of⁴ his trewþe. Þer is on God⁵, & ⁵on medyatour of God & of men, Iesu Crist, þat is a man, þat ⁶þef hym self redempcyoun for alle men, whos wytnesse is y-confermed in his tymes; in whom ich am y-set a prechour ⁷& an apostel, for y seye trewþe & y ne lye noȝt, þat am techere of mysbyleued men in feiþ & in treuþe. And þerfore ⁸ich wole þat men preyen in eferich place, lyftyng up clene bonden wiþ-uten wrappe & stryuyng. And wymmen also ⁹in a couenabel habyte, wiþ schamfastnesse & sobernesse arayyng hem-selfe, noȝt in heres y-platted, ne wiþ gol[d] oþer margery perles⁶ oþer precyous cloþing; but, as it bysmeþ ¹⁰wymmen þat byhoteþ chastyte, by goode werkes. & a wom- ¹¹man lerne in scylence with alle subieccyon. Bote y ne lete ¹²no womman to teche, ne to hafe lordschupe on hure housbonde, bote to ben in sylence. For Adam was furst y-mad, ¹³& syþen Eue. & Adam ne was noȝt bygyled, bote þe wom- ¹⁴man was bygyled in preuarycacyon: & heo⁷ schal ben y-safed ¹⁵by bryngyng forþ of children, þef þat he dwelle stille in feiþ & lofe & holynesse wiþ eferiche sobernesse.

A⁸ trewe word, Who þat desyreþ a byschopryche, he : ³ desyreþ a good werk. For it byhoueþ a byschop⁹ to ben ²a man wiþ-uten reprefe, & a man of¹⁰ on wif, sober, redy, chaste¹¹, hospitelere, a techere; noȝt dronkelew, ne smyttere; ³bote softe & good, no¹² stryfer, ne coueytous; bote þat gouerneþ ⁴

¹ a later addition, S.

² preyer^{es} repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

³ above the line, S.

⁴ fol. 77 S.

⁵ fol. 89 P.

⁶ gol oþer perles

repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

⁷ 3e P.

⁸ prima ad thimothæum

⁹ C^o heads the chapter in a late xvth century hand, S.

¹⁰ a byschop

repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

¹¹ of in the margin, S.

¹² fol. 89^b P.

¹³ 2e P.

wel his household; þat þat¹ haþ his children sogettys in
 5 eferiche chastyte; & who þat can noȝt rewle wel his owene
 houshold, how schal he haue þe dylygence of Godes churche?
 6 ne þilke þat is late y-baptysed, lest he be hofen up in-to
 7 pruyde & falle in-to þe dom of þe defel. For it byhofeþ þat
 he hafe good witnesse of þilke þat ben wiþouten-forþ, þat he
 8 ne falle noȝt in-to obbrayd & in-to þe defeles grun. Dekenēs²
 — also ben chaste & noȝt of two tunges, noȝt y-zeue to myche
 9 wyn, ne suyngē foul wynnyngē; bote hafyngē þe mynstryngē
 10 of feiþ in a clene consyence. Bote ben þese first y-prefed,
 11 & so mynystren þei wiþouten blame. & summe wymmen
 also ben chaste, noȝt bakbytyngē, sober & feiþful in alle þingē.
 12 Dekenēs ben of on wyf, þat rewleþ wel hure chyldren &
 13 hure houshold. For þilke þat mynystreþ wel schulleþ geten
 hem-selsen a good degre, & a mucche trust in þe feiþ þat is in
 14 oure [Lord]³ Iesu Crist. þese þynges y wryte to ȝow⁴, hopyngē
 15 to come sone to [ȝow]⁵; & ȝef þat y tarye, þat þou wete⁶ how
 þou schalt haue þi conuersacyoun in þe hous of God, þat is
 Goddes churche þat lyfeþ, & a pyler & a stabelnesse of þe
 16 trewþe. And it is openlyche⁷ a gret sacrament of pyte, þat
 haþ ben y-schewed in flesch & y-iustifyed in spyrte & appered
 to aungeles & is y-preched a-mong mysbylefed men & is
 y-lefed in þe world & y-taken vp in blysse.

4 1 But⁸ þe spyrte seiþ openlyche, þat in þe laste dayes⁹ þer
 schulleþ summe fallen away fro¹⁰ feiþ, takyngē kepe to spirytes
 2 of¹¹ errour & to þe doctrines of fendes, þat in ypocrysye
 3 spekeþ lesynges, þat hafeþ a corrupt consyence, & forbedeþ
 weddyngē, & abstenen from metes þat God haþ y-mad to ben
 vnderfongen of trewe men, þat han y-knowe þe trewþe wyþ
 4 þonkynges to God. For eferiche creature of God is good, &
 þer ne is no þing to ben y-cast away þat is vnderfongen wiþ

¹ fol. 77^b S.² *derkenesse* expunged with *dekeness* in marg., 1st corr. S.³ *oure* (crossed through) *lord* (erased) with *Crist* written over it in a later hand, S.⁴ *ȝow* crossed out and *þe tympe* in a late hand in the margin, S.⁵ *the* in a late hand on erasure, S. ȝe P.⁶ *þat þou wete* inserted in a later hand, the same as above corrections, S. om. P.⁷ fol. 90 P.⁸ *soþli* added in a late hand above the line, S.⁹ fol. 78 S.¹⁰ in a late hand

above the line, S.

þaukynges to God: for it is y-mad holy by Goddes word & 5
 by preýere. And proposynge þese þynges to oure breþeren, 6
 be þou a good serfaunt of oure Lord Iesu Crist, y-norsched
 wiþ wordes of þe feiþ, & of þe good doctryne þat þou hast
 y-folowed. And schunye þou vn couenabel & veyn fables, 7
 & excersyse þi-selfe to pyte: for bodylyche excercyse is 8
 profytabel to luytel þing; but pyte is profytabel to alle
 þinges, hafynge a byheste of lyf þat is now, & of lyf þat
 is to comynge. A trewe word & a worþi to ben accepted. 9
 For in þis we trasfeyleþ & we beþ¹ y-cursed, for we hopeþ in 10
 þe lyfynge God þat is rasyour of alle men, bote most of
 feiþful men. Hote þou þese þinges & teche hem. No man 11, 12
 dispyse þy zoupe; bote be þou ensampel of feiþful men, in
 word, in conuersacyoun, in charyte, in feiþ, in chastyte. Forto 13
 y come, take hede to redynge, to exortacyoun & to doctryne.
 Ne be þou noȝt necclygent of þe grace þat is y-ȝefe þe by 14
 prophete wiþ² puttyng in of þe honden of presthod³. Þese 15
 þynges by-þenche þou; & be þou in þese þynges, þat þy
 profytyng be opene to alle men. Take hede to þi-selfe, & to 16
 doctrine. Be bysy in hem, for doynge⁴ so þou schalt safe
 þi-selfe & þilke þat y-hereþ þe. Ne blame þou noȝt hym þat 5
 is aldere þan þou, bote byseche hym as þi fader; & zonge
 men as breþeren: olde wymmen as moderes; zonge wymmen⁵ 2
 as sustren in alle chastyte. Worschupe wydewes þat beþ 3
 trewe wydewes. & ȝef þer be a wedewe þat haþ sones oþer 4
 nerewes⁶, lerne he furst to gouerne hure owene houshold, &
 to zelden a-ȝeyn to hure eldren for þe goodnesse þat þei han
 receyfed of hem: for þis is acceptabel to-fore God. And heo⁷ 5
 þat is a trewe wydewe & desolat, hope heo⁷ in God, & be he
 in hure preýeres & bysechynges nyȝt & day. For heo þat 6
 lyfep in delyces is deed. & comaunde þou þese þinges, þat 7
 þei ben wiþouten⁸ reprefe. & who þat haþ no charge of þilke 8
 þat beþ of his, & most of þilke þat beþ homlyche wiþ hym, he
 haþ forsaken his feyþ, & is worse þan a mysbylefed man. A 9

¹ fol. 90^b P.² fol. 78^b S.³ þe presthod with *hod* dotted out, and þe above the line in a later hand, S.⁴ o above the line, S.⁵ old men zonge men zonge wymmen repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.⁶ nerewes dotted out and *cosynes* written above in a later hand, S. *cosynes* P.⁷ ȝhe P.⁸ fol. 91 P.

wydwewe be y-chose nozt lasse þan of syxty wynter, þat haþ
 10 y-ben on mannes wyf, & haþ y-had testymonye in goode
 werkes; 3ef heo¹ haþ wel y-norsched huro children, 3ef heo¹
 haþ y-herborewd men, 3ef heo¹ haþ y-wasche goode mennes
 fet, 3ef heo¹ haþ y-mynystred to þilke þat habbeþ y-suffred
 trybulacyoun, & 3ef heo¹ hafe y-swed eserych good werk.
 11 Bote schonye² þou wydwes þat beþ 3ongere: for when þei
 haueþ y-don leccherye in Crist³, þei w[o]lleþ⁴ ben y-weddyd:
 12 & hau[eþ]⁵ dampnacyoun, for þei habbeþ y-mad hure furste
 13 feiþ veyn. & þei lerneþ to gon to-gedere in ydelnesse, & gon
 aboute to mennes houses; nozt onlyche ydel, bote also ful of
 wordes, and spekyng curiouslyche þinges þat it byhofeþ nozt
 14 for-to speken. And þerfore ich wole þat 3ongere wymmen
 ben y-weddyd & bryngen forþ children & ben houswyfes, þat
 þei 3efen non occasyoun to þe aduersary by enchesoun of
 15 efel seyenge: for now þer beþ summe y-turned abak astur
 16 Sathanas. And þerfore who þat haþ trewe wydwes, mynystre
 he to hem, so þat þe churche ne be nozt y-grefed, & þat heo¹
 17 mowe suffice to þilke þat beþ trewe wydwes. And þilke
 prestes⁶ þat beþ wel abosen oþer men, ben þei y-had worþy to
 doubel worschupe, & þei most þat traueyleþ in word & in
 18 techyng. For holy scripture seyþ, þou ne schalt nozt bynde
 — þe moup of þe oxen þat tyleþ þi lond. &, A werkman is worþi
 19 his mede. & vnderfonge þou non accusasyoun⁷ a3eyn a prest,
 20 bote vnder two wytnesses oþer þre. & vnderneme þilke þat
 21 synneþ to-foren alle men, þat oþer ben adrad. And y wyt-
 nesse to-fore God, & to-fore Iesu Crist, & aungelis þat beþ
 y-chosen, þat⁸ þou kepe þese þynges wiþouten lattynge of ony
 enchesoun, & þat þou do⁹ no þing bowynge to þe oþer¹⁰ syde.
 22 Ne putte þou not þyn honden to no man sone, ne comune þou
 23 nozt to oþer mennes¹¹ synnes: kepe þi-selfe chaste. Ne drynke
 þou nozt water 3et, but vse þou a lytul wyn for þi stomac
 24 & for þi sekenesses þat þou art y-woned to haue. Summe
 25 mennes synnes beþ opene, & goynge byfore þe dom; & summe

¹ 3he P. ² fol. 79 S. ³ in Crist foilows y weddyd P, in the margin, S. ⁴ wyllip be weddid (on erasure) dyd in Crist (expunged) & (half erased) hauing (ing on erasure), S. neleþ nat ben y weddyd P.
⁵ fol. 91^b P. ⁶ usa on erasure, S. occasyoun P. ⁷ þat þou...þou do on erasure, probably different hand, S. ⁸ toþer P. ⁹ fol. 79^b S.

mennes foleweþ. Also goode werkes beþ opene, & pilke þat beþ oþerwyse ne mowe noȝt ben y-hud.

And alle pilke þat beþ in seruytute, worschypen þei hure : 6
 lordes [in]¹ alle worschupe, leste þe name of God & his
 doctrine be blasphemed. And pilke þat habbeþ feiþful
 lordes, ne despyseþ þei noȝt hem, for þei beþ hure breþeren ;
 bote ærfen hem þe raper, þat þei beþ feiþful & y-lofed &
 partyneres of þe benefys of God. Þese þynges teche þou
 & stere hem þerto. & ȝef eny man teche oþer-wyse, & 3
 assenteþ not² to þe hol wordes of þe doctryne of oure Lord
 Iesu Crist, & to þe techynge of pyte ; he is proud⁴, knowynge
 no þing, bote longynge aboute questyones & stryfynge of
 wordes, of whom ryseþ up enuyes & stryfynge, blasphemyes,
 efel suspicyones, fytynge of men þat beþ corrupt in þouȝt & 5
 beþ depryfed of trewþe, þat weneþ þat getynge by pyte.
 Bote a ful gret getynge is pyte wiþ suffysaunce : for we 6,7
 broȝten no þing in-to þis world, & it is certayn wiþ-out
 doute þat we mowen beren no þing a-wey. Bote hafe we 8
 lyflode & what we mowen ben y-wrye wiþ, holde we ous
 a-payd þerwiþ. For pilke þat wolleþ ben y-mad ryche⁸ men, 9
 þei falleþ in-to temptacyoun & in-to þe defeles grun & in-to
 many vnprofytabel desyres & noyful⁶, þat drenceþ men in-to
 dep & in-to perdyacyoun. For þe rote of al efel is couetyse : 10
 whom summen hafeþ desyred, & han y-erred from þe feiþ &
 han y-broȝt hemselfen in-to muche sorewe. Bote þou þat art 11
 Goddes man, fleo þese þinges ; & folewe þow ryȝtfulnesse &
 pyte, feiþ, charyte, pacyence, & mansuetude. Fyȝt a good 12
 fytynge of þe feiþ, & take⁷ þe eferlastynge lyf, in þe whiche
 þow art y-cleped, & hast y-knowleched a good knowlechyng
 tofore many wytnesses. & ich hote þe tofore God in Iesu 13
 Crist, þat makeþ alle þinges lyfen in Iesu Crist, þat ȝef
 a testimony vnder Pylat of Pounce, a good knowlechyng,
 þat þow kepe þe comaundement, wiþ-outen wem, vnre- 14
 prefabel, in-to þe comynge of oure Lord Iesu Crist : whom he 15
 schal schewen in his tyme, þat is y-blessed, and al-one⁸ myȝty,

¹ & S.P. ² fol. 92 P. ³ in a later hand in the margin, S. om. P.

⁴ he is proud repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

⁵ fol. 80 S.

⁶ noyful P.

⁷ fol. 92b P.

⁸ lone P.

16 & Kyng of kynges & Lord of lordes; þat onlyche haþ vneddynesse, & dwelleþ in lyzt þat no man may come to, ne no man haþ y-seyn, ne may y-sen it nouþ[er]¹; to whom be worschype & blysse & empyre efer wiþ-outen ende. Amen.

17 And byde þou ryche men of þis worlde, þat þei ne safare nozt an hyz, ne þat þey ne hope nozt in þe vncertaynte of rychesse, bote in þe lyfyng God, þat graunteþ to ous alle 18 þinges plentefouslyche to vsen, & to don wel, & to ben y-mad ryche in goode werkes, & to zesen lyztlyche &² to comune hure 19 goodes; & to maken tresour & a good foundement her-after, 20 þat þei take an eferlastyng lyf. Tymothe, kepe þat þing þat is y-put to þe, & schonye wykked noseltees of speches & 21 þe opposynges of þe fals name of connyng, whom þat summen³ han by-hote & han y-fallen⁴ from þe seiþ. þe grace of God be wiþ þe. Amen.

II. TIMOTHY.

1 And oþer epystel Poule wryteþ to Tymothe, & seiþ, Poule Iesu Cristes apostel by þe wyl of God, after þe byheste of lyf 2 þat is in Iesu Crist, to Tymothe, my dereste sone: Grace, 3 mercy, & pes of God þe Fadur & oure Lord Iesu Crist. And y þanke my God, to whom y serfe in a cleue conscyence, þat ich hafe wiþ-outen cessyng mynde of þe in my preyer⁵, 4 nyzt & day desyryng to sen þe, hafyng þost on þy teres of 5 wepyng, þat y be fulfilled wiþ ioie; byþinkyng on þe seiþ þat is in þe vnfeyned; þat dwelled⁶ furst in þi graundam Loyde, & in þi moder Eurace: & ich am certayn þat it is in 6 þe. For þe whuche enchesoun y warne þe þat þou arere up azeyn þe grace of God, þat is in þe by þe puttyng yn of myn 7 honden. For God ne haþ nozt y-zesen ous a spyryt of drede: 8 bote of vertu & of lofe & of sobernesse. And þerfore ne be þou nozt a-schamed of þe wytnesse of oure Lord Iesu Crist, ne of me þat am y-bounden: bote y trafayle nepeles to þe 9 euangelye, þoroþ þe vertu of hym þat haþ delyfred ous & haþ

¹ mark of shortening erased, S. nouþer P.

² fol. 80^b S.

³ simē men, P.

⁴ fol. 93 P.

⁵ preyer^{es} repeated in the margin,

1st corr. S.

⁶ dwelleþ P.

y-cleped ous þoro; his¹ holy clepyng; & noȝt after oure werkes, bote after his owne purpos & his grace, þat is y-ȝefe to ous in Iesu Crist byfore þe² tyme of worldes þat beþ y-passed, bote now it is y-schewed þoro; þe lyȝtyng of Iesu 10 Crist oure. Safyours, þat haþ distrayed deþ & y-lyȝted³ lyf & in-corrupcyoun by þe euangely, in whom ich am y-set 11 prechour, & apostel, & mayster of men þat weren mysbylesed. For þe whuche enchesoun þis y suffre: bote y ne am noȝt 12 confounded; for y wot to whom ich hafe bylesed, & ich am certeyn þat he is myȝty þat tresour þat he haþ y-take me to kepe to kepen hym-selfe in-to þat day⁴. & hafe þou þe forme 13 of hole wordes þat þou hast y-herd of me, in feiþ & in lofe þat is in Iesu Crist. And þe goode tresour þat is y-ȝefe þe by þe 14 Holy Gost þat dwelleþ in ous, kepe þou. For þow wost wel, 15 þat alle þilke þat weren in Asya beþ y-turned away from me; of whom weren Phylegeus⁵ and Hermogenes. & God hafe 16 mercy on Honesyphores houshold⁶: for ofte sȝpes he re-fresched me, & was noȝt a-schamed of my chayne; & whenne 17 he come to Rome, he soȝte me bysylyche for-to þat he fond me—oure Lord graunte þat he fynde mercy in þat day—and 18 how wel he myuystred to me at Ephese, þow knowest wel y-now³.

And⁷ þerfore, my sone, be þou y-comforted in þe grace þat 1 2 is in Iesu Crist of þilke þinges þat þou hast y-herd of me by 2 many wytnesses, & þese þinges bytake þou to feiþful men, þat⁸ mowen also techen oþer men. & trauayle þou as a good 3 knyȝt of Iesu Crist. Þer ne is no⁹ man serfyng God þat 4 implyeþ hym-selfe to wordlyche doynges, þat¹⁰ he plesse hym to whom he haþ y-prefed hym-selfe. For he þat fyȝteþ 5 in batayle ne schal noȝt ben y-crowned, bote ȝif he fyȝte lefffullyche. & it byhoueþ þat þe erpe-tylyer þat trauayleþ 6 furst perceyfen¹¹ of þe fruytes. Vnderstonde what y seye to 7 þe; for God wole ȝefe þe vnderstondyng in alle¹² þinges. & 8

¹ fol. 81 B.² fol. 93^b P.³ y om. P.⁴ *Vulg.* et certus sum

quia potens est depositum meum servare in illum diem.

⁵ *eg* on erasure, B.⁶ *houshold* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.⁷ fol. 81^b S.⁸ fol. 94 P.⁹ *no man serfȝ god* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.¹⁰ *but* þat P.¹¹ *perȝeynen* P.¹² *in alle* twice, S.

haue mynde þat Iesu Crist a-ros up from deþ to lyfe, of þe'
 9 seed of Dauid, astur myn euangely: in whom y trauayle, for
 whom ich am y-bounde; bote Goddes word ne is noȝt
 10 y-bounde. & þer-fore al þing y suffre for hem þat beþ
 y-chosen, þat þei ben y-safed þoroȝ þe hele¹ of oure Lord Iesu
 11 Crist wiþ an hefnelyche blis. A trew word: ȝef we beþ dede
 12 to-gedere with Crist, we schule lyfen to-gedere wiþ hym: &
 ȝef we suffreþ, we schulleþ regne to-gedere: & ȝef we for-
 13 sakeþ hym, he wole forsaken ous: ȝef we ne byleseþ noȝt, he
 duelleþ stille trewe, & he ne may noȝt forsaken hym-selfen².
 14 Þese þinges warne þou, witnessynge to-fore God, & ne stryfe
 þou noȝt in wordes, for þat is profytabel to no þing, bote to
 15 turnen hem up þat hereþ. And be bysy to ȝefe þi-selfen
 y-prefed to God, & a werk-man wiþ-uten schenschyp,
 16 tetrynge ryztlyche þe word of trewþe. And schenye³ þou
 boþe wykked speches & weyn speches: for þei profyteþ muche
 17 to wykkednesse, & þe⁴ speche of hem crepeþ pryfelyche as
 18 a cancre: of whom Phylet⁵ & Ymene beþ, þat beþ y-fallen
 a-wey from þe trowþe, seyenge þat þe resurreccoun of dede
 men is now y-don; & þei turneþ up þe seiþ of summe men.
 19 Bote þe stabel foundement of God stondeþ styлле, hafynge þys
 marke, Oure Lord haþ y-knowe þilke þat beþ of his: &
 Eferich man departeþ hym-selſe fro wykkednesse þat clepeþ
 20 þe name of oure Lord. & in a gret hous þer beþ noȝt onlyche
 vesseles⁶ of gold & of sylſer, bote also of treo⁷ & of erþe; and
 21 summe beþ to worschupe, & summe to defoul. Bote who
 þat makeþ hym-selſe clene from þese, he schal ben a vessel
 y-halewed in-to worschupe, and profytabel to God, and redy
 22 to eferich good werk. & fleo þou þe desyres of zouþe, bote
 solewe þou ryztfulnesse, seiþ, charyte, & pes, wiþ þilke þat
 23 clepeþ þe name of oure Lord wiþ a clene herte. And schonye
 þou questyones of foly & þat beþ wiþ-uten techynge⁸,
 24 knowynge þat þei bryngeþ forþ stryfynge. And it byhoueþ
 Godes serfaunt to ben no stryſere, bote good & softe to alle
 25 men, habel to ben y-tauȝt, pacyent, & wiþ softnesse amend-

¹ om. P.² here P.³ fol. 82 B.⁴ fol. 94^b P.⁵ philet P.⁶ repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.⁷ treo expunged with wodde in

the margin, later hand, S.

⁸ fol. 82^b S.

ynghe hem þat aȝeynstondeþ þe trewþe; ȝef þat God wole
ȝefen hem myȝt for-to knowe þe trewþe, þat þei aſcapen æt
from¹ þe defeles grunnea, of whom þei beþ y-holde pryſoneres
after his wyll.

And² knowe þou þis, þat in þe laſte dayes þer ſchuleþ: **3**
ben perylous tymeas. For men ſchulleþ ben loſynge hem-
ſelfen, coueytous and proude, blaſphemes, in-obedyent to
hure eldren, vnkynde, curſede, wiþ-ouen lofe, wiþ-ouen **3**
pes, blamyng eþer men, incontynent, no[is]t muke, with-ouen
benygnyte, traytoureas, fro-ward, ſwellyng eþoroȝ pruyde, **4**
loferes of luſtes more þan of God; haſyng þe lykneſſe of **5**
pyte bote forſakyng his vertu: and þeſe ſchenye³ þou.
For of þeſe þer beþ þat perſeþ mennea houſes, & ledeþ wiþ **6**
hem wrecchede wymmen þat beþ y-charged wiþ synnes
& y-lad wiþ dyuerſe deſyres, & efermore þei beþ lernynge, **7**
bote þei ne comeþ neſer to þe knowynge of trewþe. And as **8**
Iannes⁴ & Mambres aȝenſtoden⁵ Moyses, ſo þeſe aȝeynstondeþ
þe trewþe; men þat beþ corrupt in pouȝt, & wykked a-boute
þe feiþ. Bote þei ne ſchuleþ noȝt profyten: for hure vnkun- **9**
nyngeneſſe ſchal ben openlyche⁶ y-knowen⁷ to alle men,
ryȝt as þe eþeres was. Bote þou haſt folewed my techynge, **10**
myn ordeynynge, & my purpoſ, feiþ, longanymyte (þat
is longabydyng)⁸, lofe, pacyence, perſecucyones, ſuffrynges, **11**
whyche⁹ habbeþ y-ben y-do to me at Anthyoche, at Yconye
& at Lyſtres; whuche perſecucyones ich haue y-suffred:
bote God haþ defended me of hem alle. And alle þilke þat **12**
woleþ lyſen mukelyche in Criſt ſchulleþ ſuffre perſecucyoun.
Bote wykkede men & gyloures ſchulleþ profyten into worſe, **13**
erryng hem-ſelfen, & bryngen eþer men in-to errour. Bote **14**
dwelle þow ſtylle in þeſe pinges, þat þou haſt y-lernyd & þat
beþ y-take to þe, knowynge of whom þou haſt y-lernyd;
& þat from þi ȝouþe þou haſt y-knowe holy wrytynges þat **15**
mowen enforme þe in-to hele by þe feiþ þat is in Ieſu Criſt.
And eferich wrytyng þat is inſpyred of God is profytabel **16**
to techen men, & to vndernymen hem, & to amenden hem,

¹ fol. 95 P.² *ſektyſ* in the margin, 1st corr. S.³ *ſchonye* P.⁴ *s* on erasure, S.⁵ *aȝenſtoden* P.⁶ *en* on erasure, S.⁷ fol. 93 S.⁸ Thus in P. þ⁸ is *lonabydege* in the margin, 1st corr. S.⁹ fol. 95^b P.

17 & to enformen hem in ryȝtfulnesse: so þat a Goddes man is
parfyȝt & enformed to eferich good werk.

4 1 And y wytnesse to-fore God, & oure Lord Iesu Crist, þat
schal deme boþe quyke men & dede, & by his comynge & his
2 kyngdom; præche þou þe word, & stonde bysylyche boþe in
hese & in anuy; & vndernyne þou, & byseche, & blame þou
3 in eferich pacyence & in techynge. For tyme¹ schal come
when men ne wollep noȝt susteyne good techynge² & hol;
bote þei schuleþ gedere to-gyder maystres, ycclynge³ heres⁴,
4 & þei schulleþ turnen away hure herynge from trewþe, & þei
5 schuleþ turnen hem to tales. Bote wake þou, & trauayle þou
in alle þinges, & do þou þi werk of þe euangelye, & fulfulle
þi mynstrynge. & be þou sober.

TITUS.

And⁵, suster, to an oþer of his dissiples þat hyȝte Tyte he
1 5 wryteþ in þis wyse, For þis enchesoun y laste⁶ þe at Crete, for
þou schuldest amenden þilke þinges þat lakkeþ, & þat þou
6 schuldest ordeyne prestes by cytees, as ich ordeyned þe; and
who þat is wiþ-uten blame, a man of on wyf, þat haþ feiþful
7 children, noȝt in-to accusacyoun, ne soȝet to leccherye. For
it byhofeþ þat a byschop be wiþ-uten blame, as despensatour
of God; noȝt proud, ne wrapþeful, ne dronkelew, ne a smyter,
8 ne coueytous of foul wynnynge; bote an ospyteler & benygne,
9 sober, ryȝtful & holy, contynent; & cleppyng a feiþful & a
trewe word þat is astur good doctryne, þat he be myȝty to
warne men in hol techynge, & vndernymen þilke þat aȝeyn-
10 seyen. For þer beþ manye in-obedyent, veyn spekeres &
11 gyloures, & most of þilke þat beþ of circumcysyoun, whom
byhofeþ to ben vndernomyn; for þei turneþ up alle houses,
techynge þat ne byhofeþ noȝt to ben y-tauȝt, for enchesoun
12 of foul wynnynge. And on of⁷ hure owne prophetes⁸ seyde,
Men of Crete beþ eferimore lyeres, lether bestes, of slow

¹ *for tyme* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S.

² fol. 83^b S.

³ *techynge* on erasure in a late hand, P.

⁴ fol. 96. *þe heres*, P.

⁵ Heading: *Tyte* in a modern hand on ff. 83^b and 84, S.

⁶ *laue* P. *nota*

in the margin, S.

⁷ fol. 96^b P.

⁸ fol. 84 S.

wombe. & þis testymonye is soþ. & þerfore blame hem 13
 harde, þat þei ben hol in feiþ, noȝt takynge kepe to þe fables 14
 of Iewes, ne to mennes comaundermentes þat turneþ hem
 a-vey from trewe. And to clene men alle þinges beþ clene: 15
 bote to men þat beþ defouled & mysbylefed þer ne is no þing
 clene; for hure þoȝt and hure consyence beþ defouled. & þei 16
 knowlecheþ þat þei knoweþ God; bote in hure dedys þei
 forsakeþ hym, for þei beþ abhomynabel, & vnbylefed, &
 [reprefabel] to eferich good werk.

Bote speke þou hol doctryne þat bysemeþ þe to speke: 1 2
 þat olde men ben sober and chaste, redy & wya, hol in feiþ, 2
 in lofe, & in pacyence: olde wymmen also ben in an holy 3
 habyt, noȝt schidesteres, noȝt serfynges to muche wyn¹,
 spekynges & seyenge wel, þat þei techen wysdom: yonge 4
 wymmen, þat þei losen hure housbondes & hure chyl dren
 also, & þat þei ben redy & wya, chast & sober, hafynges [cure] 5
 of þe houshold, benyngne, & sogetys to hure housbondes, þat
 þe word of God ne be noȝt y-blasphemed. Warne þou also 6
 yonge men þat þei ben sober: & in alle þinges ȝef þi-selfen 7
 an ensampel of goode werkes, in techynges, in holnesse, in
 chastyte, in sadnesse þi word be hol & wiþouten represe; 8
 þat he þat is aduersary² be³ adrad, & fynde non yfel to seyn
 of ous. Also þat serfauntes ben in alle þinges sogetes to hure 9
 lordes, plesynges in alle þinges & noȝt aȝeyn-seyenge; ne 10
 bygylynges, bote in alle þinges schewynges a good feiþ; þat þei
 worschupen in alle þinges þe doctrine of oure God & oure
 Safyours. For þe grace of God oure Safyours haþ appered 11
 to alle men, techynges ous þat we forsaken wykkednesse 12
 & wordlyche desyres, & þat soberlyche & ryȝtfullyche &
 mukelyche we lyfen in þis worlde, abydynges þe blissed hope 13
 & þe comynges of þe blysse of þe grete God & oure Safyours
 Iesu Crist; þat ȝef hym-selfen for ous to fore-byȝenge ous 14
 of eferich wykkednesse, & to maken ous a clene pepel & an
 acceptabel to hym-selfe & a folewere of goode werkes.

Pese þinges spek þow & warne & vndernyne wiþ eferich 15
 power of comaundynges. No man despyse þe. And warne: 3
 hem to be sogetes to princys, & to potestatys, to ben

¹ veyn P.² fol. 84^b B.³ fol. 97 P.

obedyent to þat þat is y-sayd hem, & redy to eferich good
 2 werk, to blaspheme no man, ne ben none stryferes, bote softe,
 3 schewynge eferich mansuetude to alle men. And we weren
 ous-self sumtyme vnwyse, vnbylesed, errynge, & serfyng
 to oure desyres & to dyuerse lustes, & in¹ malyce and in
 enuye lyfyng, y-hated of oper men, & hatynge to-gedere.
 4 Bote when þe benygnyte & þe humanyte appered² of God
 5 oure Safyours, noȝt of þe werkes of ryȝtfulnesse, þat we haſeþ
 y-don, bote þoroȝ his owne mercy he safed ous, by waschyng
 6 of a bygetynge aȝeyn & renewynge of þe Holy Gost, whom
 he haþ y-sched in ous plenteuouslyche, by Iesu Crist oure
 7 Safyours; þat we ben y-iuſtyfied þoroȝ his grace & ben eyrys
 8 þoroȝ hope of an eferlaſtyng lyf. A trew word, & of þeſe
 þinges ich wole conferme þe, þat by goode werkes men
 chargen to ben beſoren oper, þilke þat byleſeþ to God. For
 9 þeſe þinges beþ goode & profytabel to men: bote ſchenye
 þou queſtyones of foly, and genologyes, and ſtryfes of þe lawe;
 10 for þei beþ vnprofytabel and veyn. A man þat is an heretyk
 aſtur þe furſte & þe ſecounde correccyon ſchenye hym;
 11 knowynge þat ſuch a man is y-turned upſo-doun, & he
 agulteþ whan he is y-dampned þoroȝ his owne dom.

þus, ſuſter, ſeynt Poule techeþ how Criſtene men ſchuleþ
 lyfe, & his techyng acordeþ wiþ Criſtis techynge in þe goſpel,
 as þe techynge of þe opere apoſteles doþ. And now, ſuſter,
 my counſeyl is þat þou lyfe vertuouſlyche³ after Criſtes
 techynge, & kepyng his heſtes whyles þou art in þis world;
 & þanne þou ſchalt þoroȝ his mercy come to an eferlaſtyng
 lyf of blyſſe, boþe in body and in ſoule. Amen.

¹ fol. 97^v P.² fol. 85 B.³ fol. 98 P.

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES¹.

Als² saynte Luke telles ande writes of þo dedes of þo apostula, ande³ sais vpon⁴ þis wise, Forsope, þou Theophul, 1
þe firste sermone I made of alle⁵ þat Iesus bigan to do ande⁶
teche, vnto þat daye þat he ascended vppe (or was taken 2
uppe), comawndeande⁷ vnto⁸ þo apostula⁹ þurgh þe Holigoste
þo whiche he chees: ande vnto þo whiche he schewed hym- 3
seluen lifande efter hise passion in many argumentes, bi
fourty¹⁰ days¹¹ apperande vnto hem, ande spekande of þo
kengdome of God: ande etande he comanded hem þat þei 4
schulde noghte departe nor¹² go away fro Jerusalem, bot þat
þei schulde abide þo sonde ande þo bihetyng¹³ of þo fader,
þat 3he haue harde, he saide, bi my mowþe: for¹⁴ forsope 5
Iohn baptised in water, forsope 3he schal be baptised þurgh
þe Holigoste noghte myche efter þise dais. Þerfore þei þat 6
wore komen togader asched hym, ande saide, Schalt þou in
þat tyme restore þo kengdome¹⁵ of Israel¹⁶? Ande he saide 7
sopely vnto hem, Hit es noghte 3oures to knowe þo tymes
(or, hit falles noghte to 3owe) ande þo momentes, þo whiche
my¹⁷ Fader has¹⁸ putte in his power. Bot 3he schal take 8
vertewe comande fro abouen vnto 3owe of þe Holygoste
into 3owe: ande vnto¹⁹ me witnesses 3he schal be²⁰ in Ieru-
salem, ande in al Iury ande Samarye, ande vnto þe ferreste²¹
ande laste of erþe. Ande whanne he hade saide þise þinges, 9
hem²² scande, he was lifte vppe; ande a clowde toke hym fro
her eyghne. Ande²³ whanne þei loked²⁴ vppe into²⁵ heuen efter 10
h[y]m²⁶ wendande, lo, twoo²⁷ men stoden biside hem in white

¹ MSS. C and D begin here. Here bigynnes þo actus of apostula C. Actuum apostolorum S.P. Apostolorum D. fol. 16^b C; 8 D; 85^b S. ² C 1. in the margin, C. ³ om. S.P.D. ⁴ on S.P.D. ⁵ þinges follows in a later hand, P. ⁶ & to D. ⁷ comaundede S.P.D. ⁸ to S.P.D. ⁹ posteles S.P. ¹⁰ argumen (crossed through) tes follows, C. ¹¹ days in the margin, C. ¹² no P. ¹³ hetyng S.P.D. ¹⁴ om. P. ¹⁵ þe kyngdom (crossed out) follows, S. ¹⁶ Israel D. ¹⁷ my fader (expunged) ends fol. 85^b; the line is unfinished with room for 7—8 letters more; my fader repeated on fol. 86 S. ¹⁸ fol. 17 C. ¹⁹ bere S.P.D. ²⁰ ferpeste S.P.D. ²¹ þei S.P.D. ²² lokande S.P.D. ²³ in tul S.P.D. ²⁴ hem C. hym S.P.D. ²⁵ twey S.P.D.

11 cloþinges, þo whiche saide vnto hem, Men of Galilee, wherto
 stonde þhe biholdande into heuen? [He þis Iesus þat es
 up-taken fro þou in-to heuene]¹, righte as þhe sawe hym
 ascende² vnto³ heuen⁴, right so schal he kome as⁵ þhe sawe
 12 hym wende. þan⁶ turned þei agayne vnto⁷ Ierusalem fro þe
 13 mownte of Olyuete, þat es biside Ierusalem. Ande whanne
 þei hade enturde into þer⁸ cynacle (a howse þat þei dwelled
 inne), þei ȝode vppe where Peter dwelled, ande Iohn, ande
 Iames, ande Andrewe, ande Philippe, & Thomas, ande
 Bartholomew⁹, ande Mathewe ande Iacob Alphei, ande
 14 Symon¹⁰ Zelotes & Iudas Iacobi. Alle þise were lastande
 in preyer togader wiþ wymmen, ande Mary Jesu moder, ande
 15 hire breþer. In¹¹ þo dais Peter ros uppe inmyddes¹² þo breþer,
 ande saide—þo company of men þat was þer togider was
 16 nerehande¹³ a hundreþe¹⁴ ande twenty¹⁵—þhe men ande my
 breþer, þo writte þat þo Holigoste has bifore saide, hit bihoues
 to be fulfilled of Iudas by Dauid¹⁶ mowþe, þo whiche was¹⁷
 17 ledar of hem þat toke Iesu; þo whiche was noumburde in vs
 (þat es¹⁸, was of oure company), ande he es lotted in þo lote of
 18 þis priuete. Ande he þis forsoþe fledde away, ande helde þo
 felde of þo hire of wikkednes (þat es, þut was boghte wiþ þo
 money þat Criste was solde fore), ande honged¹⁹ hymselfen,
 ande braste ymidde²⁰, ande alle hise guttes & entrailes
 19 wore ȝette oute. Ande hit es knowne þinge vnto²¹ alle²² þat
 dwellen in Ierusalem, so as þat²³ felde was called on þer
 20 langage Acheldemac, þat es, þo felde of blode²⁴. Soþely hit
 es writen in þo boke of Psalmes, His dwellynge be²⁵ deserte,
 ande be þer none²⁶ to dwelle þerinne: ande, An oper hafe hise
 21 bischopriche. Ande²⁷ þerfore it bihoues of þise men þat ben

¹ S.P.D.² in the margin, C.³ om. P. up into S.D.⁴ om. P.⁵ as S.D.⁶ new division with initial, S.P.D.

ii in the margin, D.

⁷ to S.P.D.⁸ þe P.⁹ bertulmew

S.P. berthilmew D.

¹⁰ symonde S.P.D.¹¹ new division with

initial, S.P.D. iii in the margin, D.

¹² y myddys S.P.D. fol. 17^b C.¹³ nyhande S.P.D.¹⁴ an hundred S.P.D.¹⁵ fol. 86^b S.¹⁶ Dauid S.P.¹⁷ in the margin, C.¹⁸ eer S.P.D.¹⁹ henged S.P.D.²⁰ in m. S.P.D.²¹ til S.D. to P.²² alle men P.²³ þat (inserted) þe P.²⁴ Chapters I. 20—IV. 6 omitted in D.²⁵ made inserted in a later

hand, P.

²⁶ none it be S.P.²⁷ om. S.P.

wiþ vs gadurde togider in alle þo tyme þat oure Lorde
 Iesu Criste kome ande 3ode amonge vs, bigynnande fro þo 22
 bapteme of Iohn, vnto¹ þo day þat he was vp-taken fro vs,
 [on]² of þis[e] forto³ be a witnes wiþ us of his uprisinge. Ande 23
 þei sette tweyne, Ioseph þat was called⁴ Barsabas, ande⁵ his
 kouþe name es Rightwise, ande Mathewe. Ande preyande 24
 þei saide, þow Lorde, þat knewe þo hertes of alle, schewe vs
 whom þow haueste chosen of þise twoo⁶, to take þe place of⁷ 25
 þis priuete ande of þis seruice, & þo apostulhed of whiche
 Iudas es deþriued, þat he may dwelle in hise stede. Ande 26
 þei gafe hem lottes, ande þo lotte-felle vpon⁸ Mathewe, ande⁹
 he was anoumburde wiþ þo eleuen¹⁰ apostula. Ande¹¹ whanne 2
 þo dais of Witsonenday¹² wore fulfilled, alle þo disciples weren
 togader in þat same place¹³. Ande sodenly a sowne kome fro 2
 heuen, as hit wore of an¹⁴ hasty komyngge spiritte, ande
 fulfilled alle þo house þore þei wore sittande. Ande diuerse 3
 langages appered vnto hem, as it wore fire; ande sat abouen¹⁵
 icheone of hem. Ande alle were fulfilled of þo Holigoste, 4
 ande þei biganne to speke in diuerse langages, righte as þo
 Holigoste gafe to hem to speke. Ande þer¹⁶ wore þat tyme 5
 soþely in Ierusalem dwellande Iwes¹⁷, religiowse men of alle
 nacyon þat vndur heuen was. Ande¹⁸ whanne þis voice was 6
 made ande þis sowne¹⁹, þer kome togider grete multitude,
 ande was confused in mynde: ande þei²⁰ merueyld gretly, for
 icheone harde hem spekande in hise langage. Alle soþely 7
 þei were amerueylde²¹, ande gretely wondurden²², ande saiden,
 Lo, ne ben²³ noghte alle þise men of Galilee þat speken vpon²⁴
 þis wise? Ande how es hit þat iche of vs has harde hise 8
 langage, in whiche þat we²⁵ wore borne inne? Of Parthi, 9
 Medy ande Elamyte, ande of hem þat dwellen in Mesapo-

¹ vnto repeated on fol. 18, C. ² ande C. on S.P. ³ to S.P.
⁴ cleped P. ⁵ þat S.P. ⁶ two oon S.P. ⁷ fol. 87 S. ⁸ on S.P.
⁹ C^m 2 in the margin, C. ¹⁰ enleuene S.P. ¹¹ no break in MS. C.
 Initial and new division, S.P. *die pentecostes* in the margin, xvth cent.
 hand. *II Chap'* in a late hand on erasure, S. ¹² *Whysoneday* S.P.
¹³ in þat stede S.P. ¹⁴ om. S.P. ¹⁵ up on or abouen S.P. ¹⁶ þer in a
 later hand in the margin; nota below it, S. ¹⁷ fol. 18^b C. ¹⁸ sounde S.P.
¹⁹ a wondrud S.P. ²⁰ merueyld S.P. ²¹ ar S.P. ²² in the
 margin, 1st corr. S.

tonye, in þo Iury ande in Capodoche, Pounty ande Assyen,
 10 in Frige ande¹ Pamphile², Egipte ande in þo parties of Libee
 þo whiche es aboute Ciryence, ande þo komelynges of
 11 Romayn³, ande þo Iewes ande þo procellytes, þo Cretes⁴ ande
 þo Arabies, we hafe harde hem spekande in⁵ oure langage þo
 12 grete wondurs ande dedus of God. Alle sopely þei wore
 astonyed, ande merueilde togader, ande saide, What þinge
 13 wol þis be? Oþer sopely lowghne, ande saide, Þise men ben⁶
 14 filled wiþ muste. Ande þanne stode Peter wiþ þo elleuen⁷
 sopely ande saide wiþ highe voyce vnto hem, Men of Iewry,
 &⁸ alle þat dwellen in Ierusalem, þis þinge be knowen vnto
 3owe, ande wiþ 3oure eres takes ande⁹ conceyues my wordes.
 15 Soþefastly noghte as 3he trowe þise men ben drunken, whanne
 16 hit es of þo day bot þo þridde houre, Bot þis hit¹⁰ es þat was
 17 saide bi þo prophete¹¹ Ioel: Oure Lorde sais þat hit schal be
 in þo laste dais, I schal 3ete oute of my spiritte vpon alle
 flesche: ande 3oure sones ande 3oure doghters schal pro-
 phecye, ande 3oure 3onge men schal se sightes¹² ande visiones,
 18 ande 3oure elders schal dreme dremes: ande forsoþe vpon my
 seruantes (boþe men ande wymmen¹³) ande vpon¹⁴ my honde-
 maydens I schal 3ote oute of my spiritte in þoo dais; ande
 19 þei schul prophecye. Ande I schal gife wondure¹⁵ in heuen
 abouen, ande tokens in erþe¹⁶ bineþen; blode, ande fire, ande
 20 steme¹⁷ of smeke: þo sonne schal be turned in-to markenes¹⁸,
 ande þo mone into blode, bifore þo grete daye of God ande
 21 þo opunsched¹⁹ kome: ande²⁰ hit schal be, alle or iche whoeuer
 22 calles þo name of God, he schal be saufe. 3he men of Israel,
 here 3he þise wordes: Iesu of Nazareth, a proued man of God
 in 3owe þurghe vertewes ande schewynges ande takens, þat
 23 God did bi hym amonges 3owe, as 3he wote; hym, þurghe
 kownseile endide ande þurghe þo bifore-knowynge of²¹ God

¹ fol. 87^b S. ² in Pam. S.P. ³ romanye P. ⁴ crite corrected into crete, S. ⁵ on S.P. ⁶ are S.P. ⁷ enleuene S.P. ⁸ fol. 19 C.
⁹ or S.P. ¹⁰ þis S.P. ¹¹ prophecye S.P. ¹² sightes
 ande om. S.P. ¹³ boþe.....wymmen faintly underlined, C. om. S.P.
¹⁴ gret inserted before wonder, P. ¹⁵ abouen, expunged, follows, C. þe erþe P.
¹⁶ þe myst of smoke S.P. ¹⁷ derknesse S.P. fol. 88 S. ¹⁸ opun schewed S.
 opun day (inserted) schewed P. ¹⁹ verse 21 begins: & alle who so euere
 clepeþ S.P. ²⁰ fol. 19^b C.

þurghe wikked mennes hende bitraid & taken, tourmen-
 tande¹ 3he slowe: whom² God raysed agayne, þo paynes³
 of helle loused ande broken⁴, so as⁵ hit was impossibul þat
 helle hym schulde holde. (Sipen⁶ he heled hit þurghe his
 myghte, ande alle þat euer was maked.) Dauid sopely sais of⁷
 hym, I schal puruey ande force ours Lorde⁸ euer bfore me;
 for he es at my righte side, þat I be noghte stired⁹. Ande¹⁰
 þerfore es my hertte maked brude, ande my tunge made¹¹
 ioie; ande ouer þat (or, þerupon)¹² my flesche schal reste in
 hope, for þow schal noghte¹³ leue my soule in helle, nor¹⁴ þou¹⁵
 schalte gife þi saynte to see corrupcion. Þo ways of life þow¹⁶
 made knowne vnto¹⁷ me; þow schalte fulfille me wij þi face
 in ioynge. 3he men ande breþer, if hit be¹⁸ leffulle to say¹⁹
 vnto²⁰ 3owe of Dauid þo patriarche, for þat he es deed ande
 biried, ande hise graue es amonge 3owe vnto þis daye. Ande²¹
 þerfore whanne he was a prophete, ande wiste wele²² þat God
 þurghe trewe²³ oþe²⁴ hade sworne vnto hym, þat of þo frute þat
 oute of hym schulde kome, schulde sitte vpon his sege;
 seande ande for-spekande²⁵ of þo resurreccione of Criste, for
 noþer was he forleste²⁶ in helle, ne²⁷ neþer his flesche sawe
 corrupcion (þat es, was neuer filed). Hym²⁸ þis same Iesu²⁹
 God raysed agayn, werof ande³⁰ of whom we alle ben witnea.
 Ande³¹ þerfore forsoþe [he was] highe listud vppe [bi] þo righte³²
 honde of God³³ ande þurghe þo bihetyng of þo Holygoste
 taken of þo Fadire, he has 3otted downe þis, þat 3he see ande
 here. Sopely Dauid steghe noghte vppe into heuen: for³⁴
 hymselfen sopely sais, Oure Lorde saide vnto³⁵ my Lorde, Syt
 þow vpon³⁶ my righte honde, þe while þat I putte þine³⁷
 enmyse schamel³⁸ of þi fete (þat es, til þat I putte hem vnder

¹ to torment & S.P. ² upp wh. S.P. ³ brake S.P. ⁴ as om. P.

⁵ Sipen (synne S.P.) he...maked underlined, C.P. ⁶ louerd with we crossed
 out, S. ⁷ meuyd S.P. ⁸ makeþ S.P. ⁹ or þerupon om. S.P.

¹⁰ not in 1st corrector's hand in the margin, S. ¹¹ neþer S.P. ¹² to S.P.

¹³ if (crossed out) it be marked to be inverted, S. ¹⁴ be it P. ¹⁵ fol. 88^b S.

¹⁶ treweþe, S.P. ¹⁷ om. S.P. ¹⁸ byfore sp. S.P. ¹⁹ left S.P.

²⁰ fol. 20 C. ²¹ hym om. S.P. ²² ande of whom om. S.P. ²³ Ande

þerfore forsoþe þo highe listud vppe honde of god þat es þo righte honde of
 god alþerhyeste C. þerfore þe ryzt hond of god is hyed S.P. Vulg. Dextera
 igitur Dei exaltatus. ²⁴ on S.P. ²⁵ schameful S.P.

- 36 þi fete)¹ Ande þerfore certaynly wite alle þo folkke of Israel, þat
 God has makid hym Lorde ande Criste, þis iche² same Iesu
 37 þat 3he crucified. Ande³ whanne þei herde þis, in hertte þei
 wore prikked, ande þanne þei saide vnto Peter ande to þo⁴
 toþer⁵ apostuls, Leue men ande breþer, what schal we do?
 38 Sopely Peter saide vnto⁶ hem, Dos penaunce, ande iche of
 3owe be baptised in þo name of oure Lorde Iesu Criste in
 forgifnes of 3oure synnes; ande 3he schal take þo gifte of þo
 39 Holygoste. Vnto⁷ 3ow es⁸ hette⁹ a bihetyng, ande also
 vnto¹⁰ 3owre childer, ande to alle þat fer be, ande vnto alle þat
 40 God oure Lorde haues¹¹ called¹². Wiþ many also oþer wordes
 he has wytnessed¹³, ande he amonested¹⁴ hem, ande saide, Bes
 41 3he saued fro¹⁵ þis schrewde kynreden. Ande¹⁶ þoo þat receyued
 þer sermone wore baptised: ande þat day weren wonnen
 42 vnto¹⁷ God ande turned abowte þreo þowsande. Ande þei wore
 þanne lastande in þo apostuls techinge, ande in komunyng
 43 of brekiuge of brede, ande in preyers. Dredfulle was forsoþe
 iche sowle: ande many merueyles ande wondurs wore bi þo
 apostuls in Ierusalem wroghte; ande grete drede was amonges
 44 hem alle. Alle¹⁸ also þat trowed weren togader, ande alle
 45 þer þinges worn in komun amonges hem; þei solden þer
 londres, þer catelle ande þer godus¹⁹, ande departed hit amonges
 46 hem alle, vnto²⁰ euerichone efter²¹ he hade nede. Ande iche
 day þei contynued lastande in þo temple togader, ande abowte
 howses (þat es, vnto²² þo puple þat þer kome of diuerse places)²³
 þei brake þe brede (þat es, Goddes worde)²⁴, [ande] þei token
 47 mete wiþ ioye ande sympulnes of hertte, þankande God, ande
 hafande grace vnto²⁵ alle folke. Ande oure Lorde [soply
 makid more þe whiche schulde be²⁶ saued iche day in hym-
 seluen]²⁷.
- 3 1 Peter²⁸ sopely ande saynte John 3oden into þo temple atte
 2 þo houre of none-preyer. Ande²⁹ a man þat was crokud fro

¹ gloss underlined, C.S.P.² om. S.P.³ om. P.⁴ oþere P.⁵ to S.P.⁶ þat to S.P.⁷ soplyche is S.P.⁸ byhote S.P.⁹ fol. 20^b C.¹⁰ clepyd S.P.¹¹ fol. 89 S.¹² amoneste S.P.¹³ fro

twice, P.

¹⁴ also alle S.P.¹⁵ ande þer godus om. S.P.¹⁶ after þ¹ S.P.¹⁷ gloss underlined, S.P.¹⁸ schulde be in marg. contemporary hand, S.¹⁹ Thus in S.P. hit made more epistola sequitur, C.²⁰ C^m 3^m in a laterhand, in marg., C. iiii chap¹ in a xvith century hand, S.²¹ fol. 21 C.

his moder wombe (þat es, was borne crokud)¹ [was borne, ande] iche² day hise frendes sette hym atte þo temple-dore þat was Speciosa, þer³ forto begge almes of hem þat ȝode in ande oute of þo temple. He þis whan he sawe Peter ande 3 Ioon begynne to enter into þo temple, he preide hem of þer almes. Ande Peter wiþ Ioon bihelde vnto⁴ hym, ande saide, 4 Loke vpon vs. Ande he bihelde vpon hem, and trowed sum- 5 whate to haue of hem. And þanne Peter soþely saide, Golde 6 ande syluer haue I none (þat es to say, noþer)⁵; bot soþely þat⁶ þat I haue I⁷ gife vnto⁸ þe. In þo name of Iesu Criste of Nazareth, rise ande go; ande toke hise righte bonde, 7 ande lifte⁹ hym vppe: & alsone wore hise lymes made hole ande sadde. Ande he stode vppe ande ȝode his 8 way, worschipande ande þankande God. [& alle þe puple 9 sawe hym walkande & worschipande God]¹⁰: soþely [wel]¹¹ 10 men hym knewe, þat hit was he þat satte at þo temple-dore forto¹² asche mennes almes: ande of hym þei wore merueyled ande gretely awonderde¹³ how hit so bifelle vnto¹⁴ hym. Ande 11 soþely whanne þei [sawe]¹⁵ Peter ande Iohn, alle þo puple kome rennande vnto¹⁶ hem to Salomons porte¹⁷, wondurande vpon¹⁸ hem ande biholdande¹⁹. Ande Peter whanne he sawe²⁰ 12 þat, he saide vnto²¹ þo folke, Men of Israel, whi wonduren ȝhe here-oponne²², ande whi biholde ȝhe vs so, as we þurghe oure vertewe or oure power hafe made hym þis to go? Abrahams 13 God ande Isaaks God ande Iacobs God ande ȝoure faders God²³ haues glorified hise sone Iesu; þo whiche forsoþe ȝhe bitraide ande denied bfore þo face of Pilate, demande hym vnto²⁴ þo deþe. Ȝhe, forsoþe²⁵, þo holy ande þo rightwise man 14 ȝhe denied, ande²⁶ asched to be gifen vnto²⁷ ȝowe a²⁸ man þat was a mansleare; soþefastely²⁹ þo maker of life ȝhe slowe, 15 þat³⁰ God raysed fro³¹ deþe vnto³² life, whos wytnes we ben.

¹ gloss expunged, S. om. P. ² þat i. C. & eche S.P. ³ fol. 89^b S.
⁴ to S.P. ⁵ om. P. ⁶ þat I S.P. ⁷ om. S.P. ⁸ rerid S.P.
⁹ S.P. ¹⁰ whyleste C. wel S.P. ¹¹ wondrud S.P. ¹² schulde
take C. sawe S.P. Vulg. cum teneret autem. ¹³ fol. 21^b C.
¹⁴ on S.P. ¹⁵ ande biholdande om. S.P. ¹⁶ Soþly whan Petir
saw S.P. ¹⁷ here onne S.P. ¹⁸ fol. 90 S. ¹⁹ soþly S.P.
²⁰ & ȝe S.P. ²¹ a man þat was, om. S.P. ²² whom S.P.
²³ fro deþe om. S.P.

- 16 Ande in þo faiþe of hise name hym þis þat þhe see ande knowe, he haues confermed ande helud: þo name of hym, ande þo faiþe þat es bi hym gafe þis man fully his hele bifore
 17 alle þoure sighte. Ande nowe, breþer, I wote þat þurghe
 18 vnknowynge þhe hit did, ande so did þoure princes. þo þinges soþely þat God spake bifore þurghe þo mowþe of alle þo prophetes, þat his Criste schulde suffere, þus he fulfilled
 19 hit. Dos penawnce þerfore, ande bes turned, þat¹ þowre
 20 synnes be done away, whanne þo tymes schul kome of refreschinge fro þo sijte of God, ande² whanne he schal sende
 21 hym þat es preched vnto þowe, Iesu Criste: þo whiche schal dwelle in heuen vnto þo tyme of restorynge of alle þat God has spoken þurghe³ þo mowþe of his sayntes fro þo bigyn-
 22 nyng of þo worlde ande þurghe⁴ hise prophetes. Moyses soþely saide, God oure Lorde⁵ schal raise vnto⁶ vs a prophete of oure⁷ breþere; þhe schal here hym as meseluen (þat es, as þhe done me) anentes alle þinges þat he schal speke vnto þowe.
 23 Ande soþely hit schal be, þat iche sowle þat⁸ heres noghte þo⁹ prophete, schal¹⁰ be putte oute of þo puple & oute of hise
 24 termes. Ande alle þo prophetes fro Samuel ande so forþer-
 25 more, þat spaken, schewed þise daia. Ande þhe soþely ben prophetes sones ande of þo testamente þat God disposed ande ordeynde to oure¹¹ faders, sayande vnto¹² Abraham, In þi sede
 26 schal be blessed alle þo meyne of erþe. To þow firste God raysed¹³ his sone, [ande] sende hym blessande þowe, þat iche-
 one schulde turne hym from þo way of his wikkednes.
 4 1 As¹⁴ þei stoden ande spaken vnto¹⁵ þe puple, þer¹⁶ kome fallande vnto¹⁷ hem prestes ande maisters of þo temple ande¹⁸
 2 Saduceys (þat wore relygyouse men)¹⁹, [ande] maden grete sorowe þat þei tawghten²⁰ þo puple ande schewed in Iesu þo
 3 risinge of deþe; ande layden hondes²¹ vpon hem, ande putte
 4 hem in holde vnto þo toþer daye: þanne soþely hit was

¹ fol. 22 C. ² *die trenete* (?), in the margin in a xvith cent. hand. Below it *peuyt* in the same hand as previous insertions, S. ³ *by* S.P. ⁴ *om.* S.P. ⁵ *to* S.P. ⁶ *þoure* S. ⁷ fol. 90^b S. ⁸ *þat* S. ⁹ *he schal* S.P. ¹⁰ *þoure* S. ¹¹ *reysynge* S.P. ¹² *C^mg^m* in the margin, C.S.P. ¹³ fol. 22^b C. ¹⁴ *om.* P. ¹⁵ gloss underlined in S.P. ¹⁶ *þ^r* *þei* *tawgte* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ¹⁷ *hond* S.P.

nyghte. Many of hem¹ forsoþe troweden þat herden Goddes worde; ande was þo noumbre of men fwe þowsanda. Þo 5 toþer² day hit felle þat þer schulde be gadired togider þer princes, þo olde men, ande þo wise of Ierusalem, ande Annas 6 þo prince, of prestes, ande Cayphas, ande Iohn, ande Aly-sawndure, ande als many as wore of þe prestes³ kinreden. Ande [þei] put hem ymyddes⁴ hem alle, ande asched hem, 7 In whatte vertewe & in whos name did þhe þise þinges? Thanne Peter, fulfilled of þo Holygoste, saide vnto⁵ hem, 8 Princes⁶ of⁷ puple ande olde men, heres⁸ ande vndur-standes⁹. If we to daye ben demed in þo gode dede of þis 9 seke man, in þo whiche he þis¹⁰ es made saufe, knowne þinge 10 be hit vnto¹¹ þowe¹², aude to alle þo folke of Israel: for in þo name of Iesu Criste of Nazareth, þe whiche þhe crucified, whom God raysed agayn fro deþe, in¹³ þat he þis stondes bifore þow¹⁴ hole. He þis Ihesus es þo stone þat of þowe was re- 11 proued in howsinge, þat es nowe made þo heued kornestone. Ande þer es no hele in any oper. Nor¹⁵ sopely oper name 12 vnder heuen es none gifen vnto¹⁶ men, in whiche we maye ande bihoues be saued. Ande¹⁷ whanne þe men sawe ande 13 bihelde þo stedfastnes offe Peter ande Iohn, ande was founden þat þei wore men unletterde ande ideotes, þei were amer-ueyled, ande knew þem, þat þei hade ben wiþ Iesu. Ande 14 þei sawe þo man stondande wiþ hem þat was heled¹⁸; ande no þinge þei myghte agaynsaye. Ande¹⁹ þei komanded hem 15 forto²⁰ go²¹ oute of þo kownseyl, ande þei kownseilde togider, ande saide, What schal we do vnto²² þise men? For als 16 mykel sopely as a knowne token ande merueyl es done þurghe hem, knowne vnto²³ alle þo folkke þat dwellen in Ierusalem, ande we maye noghte denye hit. Bot þat hit be 17 no more²⁴ pupplished ne²⁵ spoken amonge þo folkke, þrete we hem, þat þei in þat name speke nomore vnto²⁶ any man. Ande þei called²⁷ hem²⁸ unto hem²⁹, ande komawnded hem³⁰ 18

¹ hom (7) C. ² þ² oper S.P. ³ here D begins; fol. 9. ⁴ in þe myddel of S.P.D. ⁵ to S.P.D. ⁶ fol. 91 B. ⁷ of þe P. ⁸ see follows, S.P.D. ⁹ ande vndurstandes om. S.P.D. ¹⁰ om. S.P.D. ¹¹ þow alle S.P.D. ¹² ande in the text with in in the margin, C. in S.P.D. ¹³ fol. 23 C. ¹⁴ nota in the margin, S. ¹⁵⁻¹⁸ om. S.P.D. A cross in the margin, C. ¹⁶ go forþ S.P.D. ¹⁷ cleped S.P.D.

þat þei schulde nomore¹ so speke, [ne]² teche on³ no wise
 19 in Ihesu name. Peter soþely ande Iohn ansuered and saide
 vnto⁴ hem, If hit is⁵ riȝtewise in þo sighte of God soner to
 20 here ȝowe þan God, telle vs; þat we hafe harde ande sene,
 21 we may noghte bot we hit speke. Ande þei lefte hem wiþ
 many þretynges, dredande þo puple. No rightwise cause
 myghte þei finde hem forto punische, for alle spake hit ande
 made hit clere ande knowne, þat þinge þat bi hem was done,
 22 of þat þinge þat bifelle. þat man was of elde fourety ȝhere
 ande twoo⁶ more, whanne þis token ande þis hele was.
 23 Ande⁷ whanne þei wore laten oute of þo⁸ kownseile to wende
 forþe þer way, þei komen vnto⁹ þer breþer þat wore conuerted,
 ande broghte hem worde, what kynnes¹⁰ þinges¹¹ þo princes of
 24 prestes ande þo olde men hade vnto hem saide¹². Whanne
 þei hit harde, þei lifte¹³ vppe þer voyce togider alle to God¹⁴,
 ande saide, Lorde, þow þat madeste heuen ande erþe, þe see
 25 ande alle þat in hem are¹⁵: þat þurghe þo Holigoste, bi þo¹⁶
 mowþe of oure fadire Dauid, þi childe¹⁷, þow saideste, Whi
 grucched þo folke, ande þo puple þoghte vayn þinges?
 26 Kenges of erþe stoden togider, ande princes komen alle in
 27 one agayns oure¹⁸ Lorde ande agayns hise Criste: þei komen
 togider soþely in þis cyte agaynes þi¹⁹ holy childe Iesu, þat
 þow ennoyntedeste, Herowde ande Pounce Pilate wiþ meny²⁰
 28 ande folke of Israel²¹, to do þat þi honde ande þi cownseile
 29 discryued²² (²³þat es, ordeynde) to be done²⁴. Ande nowe, Lorde,
 biholde vnto²⁵ þer þretynges, ande grawnte þi seruantes wiþ
 30 alle faifefulnes to speke þi worde, in þat þow putte forþe þi
 honde; hele²⁶, merueiles²⁷ ande wondures to²⁸ be done for²⁹
 31 þo holy name of þi sone Iesu. Ande whanne þei hade

¹ fol. 91^b S. ² ne S.P.D. & C. ³ in S.P. fol. 23^b C. ⁴ to S.P.D.
⁵ is in the margin, C. ⁶ om. S.P.D. *Vulg.* Annorum enim erat
 amplius quadraginta homo. ⁷ þat S.P.D. ⁸ manere S.P.D.
⁹ þing S.P.D. ¹⁰ seyð to hem S.P.D. ¹¹ hyed S.P.D. ¹² to god
 alle togidere S.P.D. ¹³ ben S.P. buþ D. ¹⁴ þi childe om. P.
 to þi children S.D, with to...ren dotted out in darker ink, S. *Vulg.* per os
 patris nostri David, pueri tui. ¹⁵ fol. 24 C. ¹⁶ þe S.P.D. ¹⁷ gentyles
 S.P.; in S in late hand on erasure. ¹⁸ fol. 92 S. ¹⁹ descryueþ S.
 destruiþ P. ²⁰⁻²¹ underlined in S. ²¹ to helynges S.P.D. ²² & m. S.P.D.
²³ om. S.P.D. ²⁴ by S.P.D.

preyde, þo place þat þei wore inne was stired¹, ande alle wore fulfilled of² þe Holygoste. þei³ spaken þanne Goddes worde⁴ wip faipfulnes. O hertte ande o soule (^{þat es, o} 32 wille) hade alle þat puple þat troweden⁵ togider⁶. Ne none of hem þat any þinge hade saide hit⁷ was his, bot wore⁸ in comun vnto⁹ hem alle. Ande wip grete vertewe þo apostul[s]¹⁰ 33 bare witnes of þo¹¹ vprisinge of oure Lorde Iesu Criste: ande grete grace was in hem alle. Ne was þer none nedy amonges 34 hem: als many possessioners as þer wore of houses or of feldes solden hem, ande broghte þo price of hem þat þei solde, ande putte hit bifore¹² þo fete of þo apostuls: [& soþly 35 it was departed to ichone after þei had nede. Ioseph, þat 36 hade his sornome knowen of þe apostuls]¹³, Barsabas¹⁴—þat bitokens, sone of comforþe—he hade a felde, ande solde hit, 37 ande broghte þo price, ande laide bifore þo apostuls¹⁵ fete¹⁶.

Soþely a man þat hatte¹⁷ Ananyas, ande hise wife Saphira, 1 5 solden a felde¹⁸, and wip þo¹⁹ konseile of hise wife²⁰ wiphelde a a party of þo price, ande þo remnante broghte ande layde bifore þo apostuls²¹ fete. Ande Peter saide to hym, Anany, 3 whi tempted Sathanas þi herte, þow forto²² lyghe vnto²³ þo Holigoste, ande forto defraude of þo price of þo felde? Ne 4 was hit dwellande vnto²⁴ þiseluen, ande þo sale was in þine owne power? Whi puttest þou þis dede in þine hertte? þow ne haues noghte lyed to man²⁵ bot to God²⁶. Soþely 5 whanne Ananyas hade harde þise wordes, he felle downe & dyed: ande grete drede was þer þanne amonge alle þat harde þeroffe. Thanne jonge men ros²⁷ vppe, ande bare hym 6 away ande biried hym. Efter-worde, as hit were þo space of 7 þre houres, hise wife enterd inne, ande wiste not what was done. Ande soþely Peter ansuered vnto²⁸ hire, Say me, þow 8

¹ *meuyd* S.P.D. ² *wip* S.P.D. ³ *& þei* S.P.D. ⁴ *þe word of god* S.P.D. ⁵⁻⁸ underlined in S.P. ⁶ *trowen* P. ⁷ *þat it* S.P.D.
⁸ *þei were* S.P.D. ⁹ *to* S.P.D. ¹⁰ *apostuls* S.P.D. ¹¹ *om.* S.P.D.
¹² fol. 24^b C. ¹³ thus in S.P.D. *om.* C. ¹⁴ *Barnabas* S.P.D. ¹⁵ *postuls* P.
¹⁶ *Capitulum quintum* follows; C^m 5 in the margin, C. *V chap^o on erasure*, S.
¹⁷ *hytte* S.P.D. ¹⁸ *a felde* repeated in the margin, 1st corr. S. ¹⁹ *om.* P.
²⁰ fol. 92^b S. ²¹ *postuls* S. ²² *men* S.P. ²³ Thus the order of S.P.D. *to god bot to man* C. ²⁴ *reysen* S.P., in S on erasure, 1st corrector's hand.

womman, solde þhe þo felde of¹ þat price? Ande sche²
 9 saide, þhe, of þat price. Ande sopely Peter saide vnto³ hire,
 Wharto þoghte þhe hit acordande to þowe forto⁴ tempte þo
 Holygoste of God? Loo þo⁵ fete of hem þat biried þine
 10 howsebande at þo dore, ande schal bere forþe þe. Ande⁶
 alsfaste sche⁷ felle downe atte hise fete ande dyed: þo jonge
 men enterd inne ande fonde hire dead, ande toke hire vppe,
 11 ande biried⁸ hire biside hire husbande. Ande þanne þer was
 grete drede in alle holy chirche, ande in alle þat hit harde.
 12 Bi⁹ þo hondes sopely of¹⁰ þo apostuls were done many tokens
 ande merueyls in þo folke; ande þei wore alle togider in
 13 Salomons porte. Sopely of alle þo toþer none durste ioyn
 14 hem vnto hem, bot myche þo puple hem praysted. þo multi-
 tude of hem þat preyde¹¹ wexe euer more ande more, boþe of
 15 men ande wymmen; so þat þei hade oute þo¹² seke into þe
 felde¹³ ande laide hem in þer couches ande in þer beddes
 in þo felde, þat whanne Peter kome, at þo leste his schadowe
 myghte ouer-schine¹⁴ iche of hem, ande so be deliuerde of þer
 16 sekeneſ. Sopely þo multitude of neghburs¹⁵ of þo cite runnen
 togider in Ierusalem, berande þe seke, ande hem þat wore
 traueiled wiþ vnclene spirittes, þo whiche alle wore helud.
 17 Thanne sopely þo prince of prestes¹⁶ rose vppe, ande alle þat
 wiþ hem wore, þo whiche es heresie of Saduceys (þat wore
 18 religiowse)¹⁷, ande wore fulfilled of enuy ande trecchery, ande
 layde hondes vpon þo apostuls, ande putte¹⁸ hem into¹⁹ a
 19 komun holde þat opunly was knowne. Ande sopely onne²⁰
 þo nyghte one of Goddes awngels opunde þo þhates of þo
 20 prisone, ande ledde hem oute, ande saide, Gos, ande stondeſ
 in þo temple, ande spekes vnto²¹ þo puple alle þo wordes of þis
 21 life. Ande²² whanne þei hade herde þis, þei enterde in þo
 mornynge²³ into þo temple, ande tawghte²⁴. Whanne þo prince
 of prestes harde þis, ande þoo²⁵ þat wore wiþ hym, þei called²⁶

¹ for S.P.D. ² þhe S.P. ³ to S.P.D. ⁴ fol. 25 C. ⁵ om. S.P.D.
⁶ beyried P. ⁷ nota in the margin, S. ⁸ fol. 98 S. ⁹ trowed S.P.D.
Vulg. credentium in Domino multitudine. ¹⁰ of þo S.P. ¹¹ strettis
S.P.D. ¹² ouerschadwe S.P. with *adw* on erasure in S. ¹³ *Vulg.*
multitudo vicinarum civitatum. ¹⁴ prestes in the margin, 1st corr. S.
¹⁵ gloss underlined, S.P. ¹⁶ fol. 25^b C. ¹⁷ in S.P.D. ¹⁸ om. S.D.
¹⁹ mornynge P. ²⁰ fol. 93^b S. ²¹ þei S.P. ²² cleped S.P.D.

togider a konseile, ande alle þo eldeste men of þo sons of Israel, ande sende vnto¹ þo prisone to bringe þo apostuls² to hem. Ande whanne þo mynistres soþely kome ande opunde 22 þo prisone, þei fonde hem noghte. Bot turned agayne ande tolde þo. prince how þat hit was, ande saide, Forsoþe þo 23 prisone we fonde faste sparred³ as hit was lefte, ande þo kepara standinge at þo ghates: þei opunde þe prisone, ande no man fonde we þerinne. Whanne þo maistres of þo temple 24 ande þo princes⁴ of⁵ prestes herde þise wordes, þei vmþoghten⁶ hem, ande spake togider what was forto⁷ do of hem. Ande þo⁸ whiles þer kome one ande broghte worde vnto⁹ 25 hem, how þoo men þat þei putte in prisone ben in þo temple, ande¹⁰ stonden ande techen¹¹ þo puple. Thanne 30de 26 þo mayster wip his mynistres, ande ladde hem forþe wipouten strenkþe: þei dredde þo puple, in auenture þat¹² þei wolde stone hem. Ande whanne þei hade ledde hem forþe, 27 þei toke hem in a¹³ kownseyl. Ande þo prince of prestes asched hem, ande saide, Wip comaudmente we¹⁴ bid 30we, þat 28 zhe ne teche noghte in þis name. Ande lo, zhe hafe fulfilled Ierusalem wip 30urs techinge, ande zhe wil putte vpon vs þo blode of þis man (þat es, þo deþe of Criste). 29 Peter ande þo 30 apostuls¹⁵ ansuerde ande saide, More hit¹⁶ bihoues vs¹⁷ to¹⁸ be buxum vnto¹⁹ God þanne to men²⁰. God of 30urs²¹ faders 30 raised Iesu vnto²² lyfe, whom þat zhe slown, hongande²³ hym vpon a crosse. Hym has God highed, ande made hym a 31 prince ande sauyoure þurgh his righte honde, to gife penaunce vnto²⁴ hem of Israel, ande forgifnes of þer synnes. Ande we 32 ben witnes²⁵ of þise wordes; ande þo Holygoste whom God haues gifen vnto²⁶ alle þat²⁷ to hym ben buxum. Whanne 33 þat þei harde þis, þei ymagynde ande þoʒte in þer hertes to slee hem. Ande soþely a Pharisew ros vp in þo kownseile, 34

¹ to S.P.D. ² postuls S.P.D. ³ closed S.P.D. ⁴ prynce S.P.D.
⁵ of þe S.P.D. ⁶ byþouʒte S.P.D. ⁷ þer S.P. ⁸⁻⁹ stondynge & techynge S.P. stondynge & teche D. ¹⁰⁻¹¹ lest S.P.D. ¹² om. S.P. ¹³ i comaudmente P., in S. on erasure with nota in the margin. ¹⁴⁻¹⁵ Petur & Ion S.P. ¹⁶ om. S.P.D. ¹⁷ us behueþ S.P.D. ¹⁸ man S.P.D. ¹⁹ the 3 erased in S. oure P. ²⁰ fol. 94 S. ²¹ witnessis S.P.D. ²² þe byleueþ or beþ buxum to hym S.P.D. Vulg. omnibus obedientibus sibi.

whos name was Gamaliel, a doctour of þo lawe, worschipful¹
vnto² alle³ folke. He comanded þat þe apostuls schulde
35 gange⁴ oute a lytel, ande saide þanne vnto⁵ hem þat wore
gadurd þere, Men⁶ of Israel, take hede vnto⁷ þowreseluen, of
36 þise men whatte þhe þinke to do. Bifore þise dais Theodas
saide þat he was hymself grete; vnto⁸ whom assented
folke, þo noumbre of men abouten foure hundreþe⁹: þo whiche
was slayne; ande alle þat to hym trowed wore disparpulde
(pat es, wore¹⁰ sprēd obrode¹¹ ande¹² destroide) ande¹³ worþed¹⁴
37 vnto¹⁵ noghte. After hym was þer an-oþer, Iudas of Galilee,
in þo dais of profescion¹⁶, ande myche puple he efter hym
turned: and he¹⁷ perished¹⁸; and als many as vnto hym
38 assented¹⁹ wore sparpulde o-brode. Ande nowe þerfore I say
vnto þowe, Departes away fro þise men, ande suffers hem:
for if þis conseille ande þis dede þat þei do be of man, hit
39 schal be vndone & worþe vnto²⁰ noghte: ande soþely²¹ if hit be
of God, þhe schul noghte mowe vndo hem, bot suffure hem,
in auenture þat þhe be not fownden fightande agayn God.
40 Forsōþe þei assented, ande called²² þo apostuls²³ vnto²⁴ hem²⁵,
andē komawnded hem, þat²⁶ þei schulde nomore speke in
41 Iesu name, ande lete hem wende þer way. Ande þei forsoþe
þode ioyande oute of þo sighte of þo counseile, for þat þei
wore made worþi to suffur strife ande²⁷ schame for þo name of
42 Iesu. Soþely every day in þo temple &²⁸ abowte howses þei
cessed noghte of techinge ande prechingē of Iesu Criste²⁹.
6 1 Soþely³⁰ in þo dais gretely wexe þo noumbure of þer
disciples, ande was made a murmour³¹ ande a grucchingē of
þo Grekes agaynes hem of Ebrewē, for þat þer widowes wore

¹ and (om. S) a w. man S.P.D. ² to S.P.D. ³ alle þe puple S.P.D.
Vulg. homines. ⁴ goo S.P. ⁵ fol. 26^b C. ⁶ to SP. ⁷ hundrud S.P.D.
⁸ om. D.S.P. *dispair* follows, dotted out, C. ⁹ the r has a mark
of abbreviation for e, C. ¹⁰ ande es C. ¹¹ es follows, S.P.C.D.
¹² worþe S.P.D. ¹³ touched up in a later hand, C. ¹⁴ and h on erasure in
a later hand, C. ¹⁵ preched D. ¹⁶ as sentyd to hym S.P.D. ¹⁷ fol. 94^b S.
¹⁸ clepid S.P. ¹⁹ postuls S.D. ²⁰ & beden hem follows here, P.
& beten hem in the margin, 1st corrector's hand, S. ²¹ om. S.P.D.
²² strife ande om. S.P. In S there is, however, an erasure of circa 4 letters
after *suffre*. ²³ fol. 27 C. ²⁴ *Epistola sequitur* follows, C. ²⁵ C^m 6 in
the margin, C. VI Chap' in a late xvrth century hand, S. ²⁶ muruil (?) D.

despiced in þo iche daye seruice. Ande þanne¹ called² togider twelue³ þo nowmbur offe þo apostuls ande þo disciples⁴, ande saide þus vnto⁵ hem, It es noghte righte⁶ þat we schul leue þo worde of God⁷ ande serue vnto⁸ þo bordes (þat es, atte þo mete). Ande þerfore lokes amonge 3
 ȝowe, breþer, seuen gode mea offe testimony ande wytnes, þo whiche ben ful of þo Holigoste ande wisdom, whom we schul ordeyne forto do þis bisines ande þis warke. For we wole 4
 holde vs in preyer ande in Goddes worde. Ande þis worde 5
 was plesinge⁹ vnto¹⁰ alle þo multitude¹¹, ande gladde were [þei] þer-offe. Ande þei ches Steuen, a man fulle of þo Holigoste ande trewe in þo faiþe, ande Philip, ande Prochorum, ande Nichanore, ande Tymothewe¹², ande Pernyenam¹³, ande Nicholas þat was komen fro Antiochen; þise þei sette bifore 6
 þo sighte of þo apostuls, & made þer preyers, ande laide alle¹⁴ þer hende vpon hem¹⁵. Ande Goddes worde waxe; ande 7
 gretely¹⁶ was þo nowmbur of disciples waxen in Ierusalem. Grete company also of prestes bowden vnto¹⁷ þe faiþe. Steuen, 8
 gostely¹⁸ fulle of grace ande strenkþe, did many merueyles ande wondurs amonge þo puple. Summe soþely of þo 9
 synagoge risen¹⁹ vppe, þat was²⁰ of Lybertynes, ande of Sirenences, ande of Alysawndur, ande of hem þat wore of Cilyce ande of Asye, disputande wiþ Steuen. Ande þei 10
 myghte noghte wiþstonde his wytte ande þo spiritte þat wiþinne hym spake. Thanne sende þei wiþ tresone men þat 11
 schulde saye, "þat þei harde hym saye²¹" wordes of blaspheme of Moyses & of God. Þei stired ande²² moued also þo puple, 12
 & þo olde men, ande þo wise, ande ran togider, ande token hym, ande ledde hym into²³ kownseyl; ande sette²⁴ agayns 13
 hym þo fals witnes, sayande, þis man cesses noghte to speke wordes agayne holy place ande þo lawe: soþely we harde 14

¹ soþly S.P.D.² þei cleped S.P.³ of hem follows, S.P.D.⁴ ande þo disciples om. S.P.D. *Vulg.* Convocantes autem duodecim multitudinem discipulorum.⁵ to S.P.D.⁶ leful S.P.D.⁷ of god in the

margin, C.

⁸ plesant S.P.D.⁹ fol. 95 B.¹⁰ tymome S.P.D.¹¹ parmanam S.P.D.¹²⁻¹³ upon hem (here D) hond S.P.D.¹³ fol. 27^a C.¹⁴ soþly S.P.D.¹⁵ ros S.P.D.¹⁶ were S.P.D.¹⁷⁻¹⁷ om. S.P.D.¹⁸ stired ande om. S.P.D.¹⁹ into a S.P.D.²⁰ þei sette S.P.D.

hym saye, þat he þis Iesus of Nazareth schal¹ destroye þis place, ande schal turne oure lawes² þat Moyses gafe vnto³ vs. 15 Ande þei bihelde vpon hym alle þat in þo konseyl satte; þei sawe hise face as hit wore þe face of an awngel amonges hem⁴.

7 1 þo⁵ prince⁶ of þo prestes saide vnto⁷ Steuen, Es þis þinge 2 soþe⁸ þat þise men sayne⁹? Ande he¹⁰ answered ande¹¹ saide, 3 þhe¹² men, my¹³ breþer ande faders, heres ande vndurstondea. God of ioye appered vnto¹⁴ Abraham oure¹⁵ fadire, whanne he was in Mesopotany, bifore þat he schulde dye in Charre, ande 3 saide vnto¹⁶ hym, Gange oute of þi londe, ande oute of þi knowynge, ande kome into þat londe þat I schal schewe vnto¹⁷ 4 þe. Thanne¹⁸ wente he oute of þo londe of Caldey, ande dwelled in Charram: ande þepen¹⁹, efter²⁰ his fader was deade, he kome into þis londe, ande caried hise fader hider²¹, where²² 5 þat þhe²³ dwelle nowe. Ande he gafe hym þerinne none heritage, nor²⁴ o fote of erthe, ande²⁵ he bihette forto gife hit vnto²⁶ hym into²⁷ hise²⁸ possessione, ande til²⁹ hise sede efter 6 hym, whanne þat he hade no sone. Soþely God saide³⁰ vnto³¹ hym, þat hise sede schal hafe a wonynge [in]³² anoþer londe, ande he³³ schal make hem subgette to hise³⁴ service, ande 7 yuel he³⁵ schal lede hem foure hundreþe þhere³⁶. Ande [þat folk to whom þei schal serue I schal iwge, sais God]³⁷; ande efter þat þei schul wende heþen³⁸ ande serue me in þis 8 place. Ande he gafe vnto³⁹ hym þo testamente⁴⁰ of circum-sicyon: ande so he gate Isaac, ande circumsiced hym þo eghtod⁴¹ daye; and Isaac Iacob, ande Iacob þo twelue

¹ fol. 95^b S. ² lawe & tradicyons S.P.D. ³ om. S.P.D. ⁴ amonges hem om. S.P.D. Epistola follows, C. ⁵ C^m vii in the margin, C. ⁶ a S.P. ⁷ princes C. ⁸ to S.P.D. ⁹⁻¹⁰ om. S.P.D. ¹¹ Chapter vn. begins here with new paragraph and initial, S.P.D. ¹² my dotted out, S. om. P. ¹³ þoure C.D. ¹⁴ þan he S.P.; in S. on erasure; he om. D. ¹⁵ þenne S.D. þanne P. ¹⁶ when follows S.P.D. ¹⁷ in whiche S.P.D. ¹⁸ he S.P.D. ¹⁹ ne S.P.D. ²⁰ in S.P.D. ²¹ spak S.P.D. ²² S.P.D. ande C. ²³ þei P, in a later hand on erasure, S. ²⁴ her P, er on erasure, S. ²⁵ and xxx follows, S.P.D. *Vulg. et seruituti eos subicient, et male tractabunt eos annis quadringentis.* ²⁶ thus in P, on erasure in 1st corrector's hand, S. *I schal schewe, saide God, to what folke þei schul serue vnto C.D. *Vulg. et gentem cui seruerint, iudicabo ego, dixit Dominus.** ²⁷ þenne S.P.D. ²⁸ fol. 96 S. ²⁹ eyȝteþe S.P.D.

patriarchea. Ande þo¹ patriarches haden enuye vnto Ioseph, 9
 ande solde hym into Egipte: ande God² was wiþ hym, ande 10
 hym delyuerde of alle hise tribulacionea, ande gaf hym grace
 ande wisdom in Pharaos sighte, þo kenge of Egipte; ande
 made hym guuernoure ande prouoste ouer Egipte ande ouer
 alle hise howse. Bot soþely þer kome þanne a³ hungur in 11
 alle Egipte ande Canaan [ande]⁴ grete tribulacyone; ande
 youre fadres fonde no mete. Whanne Iacob harde þat whete 12
 was in Egipte, he sende firste oure fadres. Ande þe⁵ secunde 13
 sonde he⁶ was knowen, Ioseph, of hise breþer, ande he schewed
 his kynreden vnto Pharao. Ande Ioseph sende efter his 14
 fader, ande alle hise knowynge. Ande Iacob so kome into 15
 Egipte; ande he es deade, ande oure fadres; ande þei ben 16
 translated into Sichem, ande putte in þo⁷ sepulcur þat
 Abraham boghte wiþ price of siluer of þo sons of Emor,
 Sychem sons. Soþely whanne þo tyme of biheste come 17
 nerehande⁸, þat God tolde vnto⁹ Abraham, þo puple wexe
 ande multiplied in Egipte, vnto¹⁰ þo tyme þat an-oþer kenge 18
 was þerinne¹¹, þat¹² knewe noghte Ioseph. He þis oueryode 19
 oure kynreden, ande tourmented oure fadres, ande ordeynde
 þat of oure zonge childer þat were þanne¹³ borne, þo¹⁴ knaue-
 childe schulde not¹⁵ life. þo same tyme was Moises borne, & 20
 plesinge vnto God; þo whiche þree monyþes was norysched¹⁶
 in hise owne fader howse: ande soþely he was putte forþe 21
 into þo flode, ande Pharaos doghter toke hym vppe, ande¹⁷
 norysched hym as hit wore hire sone. Ande Moyses was 22
 lerned¹⁸ of alle þo witte of Egipte; ande he was myghty in
 wordes ande in hise dedes. Whanne hise tyme was fulfilled 23
 vnto¹⁹ fourty²⁰ þere, hit felle in hise hertte þat he wolde visite
 hise frendes, hise breþer²¹ of Israel. Ande whanne þat²² he sawe 24
 one of hise kynne suffer grete wronge, he venged hym, ande
 wreked hym þat wronge suffurde, ande smote hym offe

¹ fol. 28^b C. ² in a later hand in the margin, S. om. P. ³ an S.P.
⁴ S.P.D. ⁵ in þe S.P.D. ⁶ Ioseph S.P.D. ⁷ om. S.P.D.
⁸ nyghonde S.P.D. ⁹ to S.P.D. ¹⁰ in egypte S.P.D. ¹¹ & þe S.P.D.
¹² fol. 96^b S. ¹³ no S.P.D. ¹⁴ fol. 29. not on erasure in a
different hand, C. om. S.P.D. ¹⁵ & he was nurychyd þre monyþes S.P.D.
¹⁶ & sche S.D. & zhe P. ¹⁷ tauzht S.P.D. ¹⁸ þritty S.P.D. *Vulg.*
quadraginta. ¹⁹ þe children followa, S.P. ²⁰ om. P.

25 Egipte: he wende hise breþer schulde haue vndurstonden,
 þat God þurgh hise hende schulde gife hele vnto¹ hem; ande
 26 þei vnderstode² hit noghte. Sopely þo secunde daye he
 appered vnto¹ hem striuande, ande reconseilde hem into pees,
 ande sayde, Men, 3he ben breþer; wharto noys eyþer of 3owe
 27 oþer? Sopely he þat did þe wronge vnto¹ hise broþer, putte
 hym agayne, and saide, Who ordeynde þe prince or iustice
 28 ouer vs? þow³ wylte noghte⁴ slee me, as þow 3isterday
 29 dideste þo man of Egipte? Atte þis worde Moises fledde,
 ande was made a komelynge in þo lande of Madian, where
 30 he gate twey⁵ sons. Ande whanne fourty 3here wore ful-
 filled⁶, an awngel appered vnto¹ hym in þo deserte of mounte
 31 Synaye in flaumbe of fire in þo buske. Moyses, whanne he
 hit sawe, of þat sighte he was awondurde: ande as he 3ode
 nerre forto biholde þerto, þo voyce of God spake vnto¹ hym
 32 ande saide, I am þo God of þi fadres, God of Abraham, of⁷
 Isaac ande of⁸ Iacob. Moyses þanne trembulde ande durste
 33 nomore biholde. God sopely saide vnto¹ hym, Lowse⁹ þo¹⁰
 schone of þi fete: þo place es holy þat þou stondes ynne.
 34 Biholdande I sawe þo affliccione of my folke þat es in Egipte,
 ande þaire sorowynge I harde, ande I kome downe hem to
 delyuer: ande kome nowe, ande I schal sende þe into Egipte.
 35 þis Moises whom þei denyed, ande saide, Who ordeynde þe
 prince ande domes-man ouer vs? hym God sende prince
 ande byare wip þo awngel honde þat in þo buske appered
 36 vnto¹ hym. He þis ledde hem oute, doande merueyles ande
 wondurs in þo lande of Egipte, ande in þo Rede See, ande in
 37 deserte fourty 3here. þis es Moises, þe whiche saide hit¹¹
 vnto¹ þo childer of Israel, A prophete vnto¹ 3owe God schal
 raise of 3oure owne breþeren, ande loke 3he here hym reghte
 38 as 3he do me. He þis hit es þat was in þo chirche in wilder-
 nes wip þo awngel þat spake vnto¹² hym in þo mownte of
 Synay, ande with oure fadires: þo whiche toke þo wordes¹³
 39 offe life to gife vnto¹⁴ vs: to whom oure faders wolden noghte

¹ to S.P.D. ² vnderstode with *u* expunged, S. ³ Wer precedes, P.
 wer *þ* in the margin, 1st corr. S. ⁴ om. P. crossed out, S. ⁵ fol. 97 S.
⁶ fol. 29 C. ⁷ god of S.P.D. ⁸ louse with the *u* crossed out, S.
⁹ þy P.D. ¹⁰ om. S.P.D. ¹¹ to S.P.D. fol. 80 C. ¹² fol. 97^a S.

bowe, bot putte agayne [hym]¹, ande wore turned agayne in
 þer hertes vnto² Egipte, sayand vnto³ Aaron, Make vs goddes 40
 þat may go bifore vs: he⁴ þis Moyses þat ledde vs oute of þo
 londe of Egipte, we woten noghte what es fallen vnto hym.
 Ande iu þo dais þei made a kalf, ande offurde⁵ offeringes to 41
 þo symulacre (þat es, vnto⁶ þo mawmete). Ande þei made
 ioye in þo warke⁷ of þer hende. Sopely God conuerted ande 42
 toke hem to serue to þo kengedome of heuen: as hit es⁸
 writen in þo boke of þo prophetes, þow⁹, meny of Israel,
 sacrifice¹⁰ nor¹¹ offuriges offurde þhe none¹² vnto¹³ me fourty
 jere in deserte. Ande þhe toke þo dwellynge-stode of 43
 Meloch ande þo sterne of þoure god Rempha, þat wore figures
 þat þhe made forto worschippe. Ande I schal transferre þowe
 into Babilony¹⁴. þo tabernacle of¹⁵ testimony was to þoure 44
 fadire[s]¹⁶ in deserte, [as]¹⁷ God ordeynde, spekande vnto¹⁸
 Moises, þat¹⁹ he schulde make hit efter þo schappe of þat þat
 he sawe. þe whiche þei ledden in, [ande] oure faders [wiþ 45
 Iesu broghten] into þo possession of gentiles, þo whiche God
 putte away fro þo face of oure²⁰ faders vnto²¹ þo dais of Daud, 46
 þo whiche fonde grace bifore God, ande asched þat he myghte²²
 finde a tabernacle vnto²³ God of Iacob. Salomon sopely made 47
 hym²⁴ an²⁵ howse; bot he þat es alþerhigheste²⁶ dwelles 48
 noghte in þinges þat ben made wiþ hende; as he bi²⁷ þo
 prophete sais, Heuen es vnto²⁸ me a sege, erþe sopely a stool 49
 vnto²⁹ my fete: what howse schul³⁰ þhe³¹ make to me? sais³²
 oure Lorde, or whiche es þo place þat I schal reste inne?
 Ne made noghte my hende alle þise þinges? Harde- 50, 51
 frownted ande vncircumsised hertes ande eares, euer þhe han
 wiþstonden þo Holygoste: so as þoure faders did, so do þhe.

¹ hym P, in the margin, 1st corr. S.² in to S.P.D.³ to S.P.D.⁴ soþly S.P.D.⁵ offre S.P.⁶ om. S.P.D.⁷ werkes S.P.D.⁸ in the margin, C.⁹ þow dotted out with wher 3e in the margin,¹⁰ 1st corr. S. wher 3e P. Vulg. numquid victimas et hostias obtulisti mihi.¹¹ sacrifices P; last s added in a later hand, S.¹² or S.P.¹³ crossed out, S; om. P.¹⁴ for þis þing follows, P, in the margin,¹⁵ 1st corr. S.¹⁶ testamente follows, C.¹⁷ wiþ þoure faders D;¹⁸ wiþ oure fadires S.P.¹⁹ S.P.D.; of C.²⁰ þoure D; oure with the 3²¹ erased, S.²² fol. 30^b C.²³ fol. 98 S.²⁴ a S.P.D.²⁵ most h. S.P.D.²⁶ he bi om. S.P.D.²⁷ þhe schul C; schulde S.P.D.²⁸ oure lowerd seþ S.P.D.

52 For ȝoure fadirs, ne wore þei noghte pursɛwars of prophetes ?
 ande þei slowe hem þat schewed bifore of¹ þe komyng of þis
 rightwise man, of whom ȝe wore traytures ande mansleas :
 53 ȝe þat token þo lawe þat schulde haue disposed ȝow vnto²
 54 awngels, ande ȝhe kepped hit noghte. Ande³ whanne þei
 harden þis, þei saiden in þer hertes, ande gnaisted vpon⁴ hym
 55 wiþ þer teþe. So whanne Stheuen was ful of þo Holigoste,
 he bihelde vppe into heuen ande sawe þo ioye of God, ande
 Iesu stondande atte þo righte side of his fadire, ande saide,
 Lo, I see heuens⁵ opun, ande mannes sone stondande at þo
 56 righte side of þe vertewe of God. þei crieden þanne alle⁶
 lowde⁷ togider⁸, ande stopped þer eres, ande þei alle to-
 57 gider did lettynge vnto hym⁹; ande þanne¹⁰ þei cacched¹¹ hym
 oute of þo cytee, ande stoned hym : ande þe two¹² falsse
 wytnes¹³ did of hise cloþes biside þe fete of þo ȝonge man þat
 58 was¹⁴ called¹⁵ Saule. Ande þe¹⁶ stoned Steuen, þat called¹⁷,
 59 ande saide, Iesu¹⁸, receyue my spiritte ; ande kneled downe
 vpon¹⁹ hise knees, ande cried wiþ a lowde²⁰ voyce, & sais²¹,
 Lorde, sette noghte þis synne agaynes hem²². Ande whanne
 he hade saide þat, he rested hym in God, ande gafe vnto²³
 heuen his goste. Sopely Saule was assentande vnto²⁴ his
 deþe.

8¹ Sopely²⁵ þat daye was grete persecucione done in holy
 chirche þat was atte Ierusalem ; ande alle þei wore dis-
 parpulde ande wente isonder²⁶ bi²⁷ þo kendames of Iurye
 ande Samary, outtaken þo apostuls þat dwelled stille in
 2 Ierusalem. Men²⁸ ful dredfulle biried saynte Steuen, ande
 3 made grete wepinge ande sorowe ouer hym. Saule forsoþe
 wastud holi chirche ande destroyde hit²⁹, ande ȝode into
 howses, ande drowe oute men ande wymmen, ande putte hem
 4 into holde³⁰. Ande þei þerfore þat wore spredde obrode ȝode

¹ of om. P. ² to S.P.D. ³ om. S.P.D. ⁴ on S.P.D. ⁵ heuene S.P.D.

⁶ alle þanne P. ⁷ longe S.P.D. ⁸ fol. 31 C. ⁹ om. S.P.D.

¹⁰ ladde S.P.D. ¹¹ þe two crossed out S. om. P. ¹² wytnessis S.P.D.

¹³ fol. 98^b S. ¹⁴ cleped SPD. ¹⁵ þoi C. ¹⁶ Lord Iesu S.P.D.

¹⁷ seyde S.P.D. ¹⁸ for þei knowep not what þei dop follows, P, in the

margin, 1st corr. S. ¹⁹ C^m 8 on erasure in the margin, C. þe viii chap²⁰
 in a late xvith century hand, S. ²⁰ into alle þe kyngdom S.P.D.

²¹ but precedes in a late hand, P. ²² holdes S.P.D.

prechande þo gospelle of God, how he was Goddes sone. Philippe yode into þo cyte of Samarye, ande preched Criste 5 vnto¹ hem. ⁷ þo folke soþely gafe gode hede vnto¹ þo wordes 6 þat Philippe saide, herande hym holly togider ande alle wiþ o wille, ande bihelde vnto¹ þo wonders² ande³ tokens whiche þat he wroghte. ⁵ Many soþely of hem þat haden in hem yuel 7 spirittes cryed⁴ wiþ grete voyce ande⁵ yole awaye oute of hem. Many þat haden þo palsy, ande also þat worn crokude, 8 worn maked alle hole. ⁶ Ande þerfore⁶ was þer maked grete 9 ioie in þat cite. Symon soþely Magnus⁷, þat was bifore in þat cite, made hymselfe grete as a⁸ god, ande many folke of Samarye hade he deceyued ande saide hem forsoþe þat he was a god: ande alle hym herkende, fro þo leeste vnto¹ þo 10 meeste⁹. sayande, ¹² He þis es þo vertewe of God þat es called Mag[n]a¹⁰. ¹¹ Þei "gafe tente vnto¹¹ hym, wharfore longe tyme 11 wiþ hise fals craftes he made hem wode. ¹² Bot soþely whanne 12 þei schulde haue trowed vnto¹ Philippe, prechinge vnto¹ hem of þo kengdome of heuen in þo name of Iesu¹², þers wore baptized many men ande wymmen. ¹³ ¹⁴ Þanne trowed he þat 13 Symon¹³; ande ¹⁵ whanne he schulde be baptised, he drowe hym vnto¹ Philippe; ¹⁶ ande¹⁴ whanne he sawe þo vertewes ande þo¹⁵ wondurs þat bi Philippe wore done, þerfore¹⁵ he was amerueylde wondurfully. ¹⁷ Whan þo apostuls hade harde þat 14 Samary hade receyued Goddes worde, þei sende vnto¹ hem Peter ande Ioon. ¹⁸ Ande whanne þei wore komen, þei preyed 15 for hem þat wore¹⁶ turned, þat þei myghte take þo Holygoste: 16 jitte¹⁷ he kome¹⁷ noghte into iche of hem, bot only þei¹⁸ wore 16 baptized in þo name of Iesu, oure Lorde. ¹⁹ Þanne putten þei 17 þer heude vpon hem, ande þanne þei token þo Holygoste. Whanne þat Symon hade¹⁹ sene þat þurghe þo puttynge to²⁰ 18 one²⁰ of þo apostuls²⁰ hende þo Holygoste was gifen vnto¹ hem,

¹ to S.P.D.² wordes S.P.³ fol. 81^b C.⁴ fol. 99 B.⁵ said follows, expunged, C. ⁶ þat follows, P. ⁷ symon magus repeated in marg., 1st corr. S. ⁸ hym S.P. ⁹ om. S.P. ¹⁰ moete S.P.D.¹¹ magna P; S has n inserted later; Maga C.D. ¹²⁻¹³ toke heede to S.P.D.¹³ Crist follows, S.P.D. ¹⁴⁻¹⁶ & þanne þat Symon byleued S.P. ¹⁵⁻¹⁶ om S.P.¹⁶ þer of S.P.D. ¹⁷ komen expunged, follows, C. ¹⁸ jif P. ¹⁹ fol. 82 C.²⁰ þei þat S.P.D. ²¹ fol. 99^b S. ²² om. S.P.D. ²³ on S.P.D.²⁴ postelys S.P.

19 he profured hem money, ande saide, Haue þis, ande gife me
 þat power, þat whom¹ I putte vpon² my honde, he schal haue
 20 þo Holygoste.²³ Ande Peter sopely answered hym³ & saide, þi
 money ande þi catelle be with þe in dampnacyon, for þow
 trow[ed]este⁴ þat þe giste of God wip money myghte be
 21 boghte.²⁴ Neþer þow haueste parte ne lote in þis worde: for
 22 sopely þi⁵ hertte es noghte rightwise bifore God. Ande þer-
 fore do penaunce for þi wikkednes, ande preye þanne God, in
 auenture þat he wole⁶ forgife þe þis wikked þoghte of þine
 23 hertte.²⁵ For sopely in galle of bitternes ande in bonde of
 24 wikkednes I see þat þow erte.²⁶ Þanne sopely Symon answered
 & saide, Preye 3he⁷ vnto⁸ God for me, þat none of alle⁹ þise
 25 falle vpon me whiche þat 3he haue sayde.²⁸ Ande þei sopely
 witnessed ande spaken Goddes worde, ande 3ede vnto¹⁰ Ieru-
 salem agayne; ande [in]¹¹ many kengedams of Samarytanes
 26 tawghten þei ande¹² preched.³⁰ An aungel of¹³ God vnto¹⁴
 Philippe saide¹⁵, ande spake, Rise, ande wende to¹⁶ meridiene,
 vnto¹⁷ þo way þat gos downe fro Ierusalem into Gazam¹⁸, þat
 27 es a deserte place.³¹ Ande vppe he ros ande 3ede; ande þer
 he mette wip a man of Ethiopes, þat was a myghty man wip a¹⁹
 qweene of Candacis of Ethiopes, þo²⁰ whiche was ouer alle hire
 tresure, ande was a geldynge þat hade hire in kepinge;³² he
 28 kome to worschippe ande forto²¹ preye in²² Ierusalem: ande
 he was turned agayne, sittande vpon²³ hise charre, redande
 29 Ysay þo prophete.³³ Ande þo spiritte sayde vnto²⁴ Philippe,
 30 Kome nerre, ande ioynne þe to þis carte.³⁵ Ande Philippe
 ranne þerto, ande harde hym redande Isaye þo prophete,
 ande he saide, Trowes þow, þat þow vnderstondes noghte þat
 31 þow redes? Ande he saide, How myghte I²⁵, bot if any hade
 tawghte hit me?³⁶ Ande he preyde Philippe, þat he wolde
 32 kome vppe ande sytte wip hym.³⁷ Þo place þat he redde²⁶ of
 was þis in þat prophecye, As a schepe vnto²⁷ þo slawghter²⁸

¹ whom so S.P.D. ² om. S.P.D. ³ hym answerde S.P.D. ⁴ S.P.D.;
 troweste C. ⁵ þin S.P.D. ⁶ wolde P. ⁷ om. S.P. ⁸ to S.P.D.
⁹ S.P.D. ¹⁰⁻¹¹ om. S.P.D. ¹² Vulg. evangelizabant. ¹³ fol. 33^o C.
¹⁴ spak & seyde. ¹⁵ into S.P.D. ¹⁶ 3 erased S; Gaam P. ¹⁷ þe S.P.D.
¹⁸ fol. 100 B. ¹⁹ on D. ²⁰ vnderstonde follows, P. ²¹ underston in marg.
²² 1st corr. S. ²³ reode D. ²⁴ slawpe P.

was he ledde, ande as a lombe bifore þo clippar¹ wipouten voice, so he opunde not hise mowþe.⁴⁰ In meknes he bare his dome awaye ande his rightwise vengeance: hise generacyone who schal hit telle?⁴¹ For his life² es taken awaye oute of³ erþe: þo geldyng⁴ answered agayne ande sayde vnto⁵ 34 Philyppe, I preye þe, of what prophete sais he þis? of hym-seluen, or of an⁶-oper?⁷ þanne soþely Philyppe tawghte 35 hym, ande declared, bigynnande atte þat place þat he redde of þo prophecy, ande tolde hym of Iesus.⁴² Ande þo⁸ whileste 36 þei kome⁹ by þo waye, þei kome vnto¹⁰ a water; ande þanne saide þo geldyng, Lo, here es water¹¹, ande¹² who schal lette me here to be baptised?¹³ Ande Philippe saide vnto¹⁴ hym, If 37 þow trowe wip alle þine hertte, hit es leffulle vnto¹⁵ þe. Ande he¹⁶ answered ande saide, I trowe þat Iesu Criste es Goddes son. Ande he comawnded þo carte to stonde, & boþe 38 þei ȝode downe into þo water, Philippe ande he¹⁷, ande þer he baptised hym¹⁸. / Soþely whan þei wore wente vp oute¹⁹ of 39 þo water þo spirytte of God rauysched Philippe away; & after sawe he hym nomore. He ȝode soþely bi þo waye makande ioye. Ande Philippe was fownden soþely in Aȝoto²⁰, 40 þat was an²¹-oper cyte; ande þer he ȝode abowte prechande vnto²² alle²³ cytes, till²⁴ he kome to Cesarye.

Saule²⁵ alwaye þrette ande wayted Goddes discipuls; he 1 9 kome vnto²⁶ þo prince²⁷ of prestes, ande asched of hym pistels²⁸ ande comyssions into Damaske vnto²⁹ þo synagoges, þat³⁰ whomsoeuer he fonde of þo company of þe apostuls or hem-seluen, men or wymmen, to bryng³¹ hem bownden vnto³² Ierusalem. Ande as he ȝode þiderworde, hit bifelle³³ þat he 3 kome nere³⁴ Damaske: ande sodenly þer come a wondurful

¹ For þo clippar S.P.D. have þat *scherrþ* hym. ² fol. 83 C. ³ of þe S.P.D. ⁴⁻⁴ *answerde to phylyp & seyde* S.P.D. ⁵ *eny* S.P.D. ⁶ *whylis* S.P. ⁷ *ȝede* S.P.D. ⁸ to S.P.D. ⁹⁻⁹ þe *geldyng seyde to her ys water* at the bottom of the page, 1st corr. S. follows in the text, P. om. D. ¹⁰ om. S.P. ¹¹ fol. 100^b S. ¹² inserted above the line, S.P. ¹³ þe *geldyng* S.P. *geld...* on erasure in 1st corrector's hand, S. þe *comelyng* D. ¹⁴ in margin, C. ¹⁵ om. S.P.D. ¹⁶ a *ȝoto* with *oto* on erasure, S. a *ȝate* D. a *gate* P. ¹⁷ *alle* þe S.P.D. ¹⁸ *fort* S.D. ¹⁹ C^m 9^m on erasure, C. þe *iz* chapter in a late hand, S. *Paule* D. In S. *Saule* with the *S* supplied by the 1st corr., the marginal letter indicating the initial is *p*. ²⁰ S.P.D.; *princes* C. ²¹ fol. 83^b C. ²² *fel* S.P.D. ²³ *ny* S.P.D.

4 lyghte alle aboute hym fro heuen, ande he felle downe vnto¹
 þo erþe, ande harde a voyce sayande vnto¹ hym, Saule, Saule,
 5 wherto pursewes þow me? Ande he saide, Who erte þow,
 Lorde? Ande þo voyce saide vnto¹ hym, I am Iesus of
 Nazareth whom þat þow pursewes: hit es ful² harde to þe
 6 to kese³ agayne þo prikke. Ande he qwakande ande dred-
 7 fulle saide, Lorde, what wylte þow þat I do? Ande oure
 Lorde saide vnto¹ hym, Rise, ande wende into þo cytee, ande
 þer hit schal be tolde þe, what þat ^{þe} bus⁴ do. Sopely þo
 8 sopely⁵ þei harde, bot no man þei sawe. Saule þanne sopely
 ros vppe fro þe erþe, opunde hise eyne, ande loket aboute⁶,
 bot no man⁷ he sawe. Þei drowe hym forþe bi þo hende,
 9 ande ledde hym into Damaske; ande þer he was þree days
 10 wipouten sighte ande noþer ete nor⁸ dranke. Þer was a
 disciple in Damaske þat hatte Ananyas; ande God sayd to
 hym in vision, Anany. Ande he saide, Lo⁹, Lorde, I am
 11 here. Ande oure Lorde saide¹⁰ unto hym¹¹, Rise, ande wende
 vnto þo way¹² þat es called¹³ Rectus, ande seche Saule in
 Iudas¹⁴ howse, whos¹⁵ name es Tharsen: for lo, þer he preys;
 12 ande he sawe þo man þat hatte Anany enterande into þo
 howse, ande puttande hise hondes¹⁶ vnto¹ hym, þat he
 13 myghte receyue his syghte¹⁷. Ande Ananyas ansuered ande
 saide, Lorde¹⁸, I hafe harde of many of þis man, how many
 14 harmes he haues done vnto¹ þi sayntes in Ierusalem: ande
 he haues powers of þo princes of prestes to bynde alle hem
 15 ^{þat} ben þi name oknowe¹⁹. Ande sopely oure Lorde sayde
 vnto¹ hym, Go forþe, for he es maked vnto¹ me a vessel of
 choos²⁰ forto²¹ bere my name bifore kenges ande folke, ande
 16 bifore þo childer of Israel. Ande sopely I schalle schewe
 hym²² how many þinges hym bilhoues for my name suffure²³.

¹ to S.P.D. ² om. S.P. ³ kyse D. kynse S.P. fol. 101 S.

⁴⁻⁵ þou byhouep to S.P. þe byhouep to D. ⁶ om. P. ⁶ loket aboute crossed out, S. om. P. ⁷ & no þing P. but no þing with þing on erasure in darker ink, S. ⁸ ne S.P.D. ⁹ fol. 34 C. ¹⁰ inserted by contemporary hand, C. ¹¹ vnto hym om. S.P.D. ¹² strete S.P.D. ¹³ clepyd S.P.D. ¹⁴ iewes P. ¹⁵ whas D. ¹⁶ honde S.P. ¹⁷ seyst in marg., 1st corr. S. ¹⁸ lo follows, dotted out, C. ¹⁹⁻²⁰ þe clepen þi name S.P.D. ²⁰ choyse S.P.D. ²¹ fol. 101^b S. ²² to hym S.P.D. ²³ to precedes, P; in S. above the line in darker ink.

Ande Ananyas yode, ande enterde into þo howse, ande putte 17
hise hondes vnto¹ hym, & sai[de]², Saule, broþer, ours Lorde
Ihesus þat appered to þe in þo waye þat þow kome, sende me
vnto³ þe, þat þou haue þi syghte, ande be fulfilled of þo Holy
Goste. Ande alsone⁴ þer felle fro his eyghne⁵ slyme as hit 18
wore þo⁶ skales of a fische; & so he⁷ receyued his sighte,
ande ros vppe, ande was baptized; ande he was gretelyche 19
comforþed⁸ whanne he hade taken mete. Ande þan soþely a
fewe days he dwelled at Damaske wip þo disciples. Ande 20
anone Poule yode into þo synagoges, ande preched Iesu þat
he es verray Goddes sone. Ande alle þei wore ameruelde 21
soþely þat hym harde, ande sayden, Ne was noghte he⁹ þis
he þat in Ierusalem wipstode hem þat wore þis name
oknowe?¹⁰ ande þerto he kome hider to lede hem bownden
vnto¹¹ þo princes of þo lawe þat ben prynces of¹² prestes.
Ande Poule myche þo¹³ more he encresched, ande confunded 22
þo Iewes þat dwelden atte Damaske, wele affermande þat he
was Criste. Ande whanne he hade þer many days fulfilled, 23
þo Iewes token counseyl hym forto¹⁴ slee: ande soþely þer 24
deceytes wore tolde vnto¹⁵ Poule. Ande þei kepped þo ȝates
boþe daye ande nyghte of þo cyte, to wayte hym forto slee;
ande þo disciples token hym bi nyghte, ande leten hym downe 25
bi þo walle in a bere-lepe. & soþely whanne he vnto¹⁶ Ieru- 26
salem kome, he drowe hym towarde þo discipuls; ande alle
þei wore of hym aferde, noghte knowande how he was Goddes
discipul. Bot Barnabas soþely toke hym, ande ledde hym 27
to þo disciples ande to þo apostuls¹⁷, ande tolde hem alle¹⁸
how in þo waye he hade sene Godde, ande how þat he spake
wip hym, & how faipfully¹⁹ he hade done in Damaske in þo
name of Iesu. Ande he was wip hem wendande in ande 28
oute in Ierusalem, ande trewly doynge in þo name of Iesu.
Ande vnto²⁰ þo gentyles he spake, ande disputed wip þo 29
Grekes; & ²¹þei soghten faste aboute hym forto slee²². & 30
whanne þo breþer knewne þat, vpon²³ þo nyzte to Cesarye

¹ to S.P.D. ² & sai in marg. C. & seyde S.P.D. ³ a noon S.P.D.⁴ eyghne C. ⁵ om. S.P.D. ⁶ fol. 34^b C. he omitted after whanne P.⁷ a knowe S.P.D. ⁸ to S.P. ⁹ om. S.P.D. ¹⁰ fol. 103 S. ¹¹ postelus S.¹² fol. 85 C. ¹³—¹⁵ þei soþly souȝte to slee hym S.P.D. ¹⁶ on S.P.D.

31 soþely þei hym ledde, ande sente hym vnto¹ Tharsum. Þanne
 holy chirche þurghē alle þo Iurye ande Galyle ande Samarye
 hade pees, ande was gretely edified, wendande² in þo drede
 of God, ande was fulfilled in komforþe of þo Holygoste.
 32 Ande Peter, whanne he hade passed alle þo kontres abowte,
 ande schulde kome to þo holy folke³ þat wore dwellynge at
 33 Lydde, he fonde þer a man whos⁴ name was Eneam, þat fro
 34 he was eghte þhere olde hade lyue bedreden⁵. Ande Peter
 saide vnto⁶ hym, Enea, oure Lorde Iesu Criste hele þe⁷, rise
 35 vppe fro þi bedde. Ande he anone rose⁸ vppe. & alle þei
 hym sawe þat atte Lydde dwelled⁹ ande Saron, þat wore
 36 conuerted vnto¹⁰ God. In Ioppen forsoþe þer was a discipul,
 a womman þat hatte¹¹ Tabita, þat propur name es Dorcas: þo
 whiche was ful¹² of almes ande of gode dedes¹³ þat sche¹⁴
 37 vnto¹⁵ many dide. Ande¹⁶ on a¹⁷ day hit bifelle, þat¹⁸ sche¹⁹
 wexe seke ande died. Whanne þei hire hade waschen, þei
 38 layde hire in þer²⁰ halle. Ande soþely so as þat cyte Lydde
 was nere²¹ þo towne of Ioppen, þo disciples harden telle how
 Peter was þerynne; þei sende tweyne²² vnto hym, preynge
 hym noghte forto²³ dwelle, bot faste to kome vnto²⁴ hem.
 39 Ande saynte Peter ros vppe ande jode forþe wiþ hem. Ande
 whanne saynte²⁵ Peter was komen, þei ledden hym into þo
 synacle²⁶, ande alle þo wydowes stoden aboute hym ande
 wepped, ande schewed hym þo clopes²⁷ ande þo kotes þat
 40 Dorcas hade hem made. Ande Peter maked hem alle forto
 wende forþe, ande he kneled downe ande preyed, ande turned
 hym vnto²⁸ þo deade body ande saide, Thabita²⁹, surge (þat es,
 Thabita rise). Ande atte his worde sche³⁰ opund hire eyne;
 41 ande whan sche³¹ sawe Peter sche³² toke hym hire honde, ande
 he raised hire vppe. Ande þanne he called³³ þo sayntes ande
 42 þo wydowes, & schewed hem þat sche³⁴ was on³⁵ lyue. Ande

¹ to S.P.D.² goynge S.P.D.³ folkes S.P.D.⁴ his S.P.D.⁵ on þe palyse follows, P.; in margin, 1st corr. S.⁶ above the line, 1stcorr. S.; om. D. ⁷ fol. 102^b S. ⁸ dwelled at ledde S.P.D. ⁹ hette S.D.¹⁰⁻¹⁶ of goode werkes & almes S.P.D.¹¹ 3he P.¹² & it in þodayes byfell S.P.D. ¹³ fol. 85^b C.¹⁴ om. S.P.D.¹⁵ he D. 3he P.¹⁶ hire S.P.D.¹⁷ ny3 S.P.D.¹⁸ twey men S.P.D.¹⁹ halle S.P.D.²⁰ kootes & þe clopes S.P.D.²¹ thabyta surge underlined, S.P.²² clepid S.P.D.²³ a S.P.

þat was tolde þurghē-oute Ioppen; ande many þerfore trowed¹ in Ieru Criste.

[P]anne² Peter longe tyme ande manye dais efter dwelled³ 43 in Ioppen wiþ a⁴ man þat hatte⁵ Symonde, corueser. Ande⁶ 10 þo whileste⁷ þer was a man in Cesarye þat hatte⁸ Cornelyus, centurio, a man þat was relygyowse ande dredande God wiþ⁹ alle hise howsemeyne¹⁰, þat many almes vnto¹¹ þo puple did; ande euer preýande God. He þis sawe in vision¹², as hit¹³ wore þo nynte¹⁴ houre of þo daye, þo awngel of God¹⁵ enterande in vnto hym¹⁶, ande þus vnto¹⁷ hym he¹⁸ sayde, Cornely. Ande [he]¹⁹ loked vpon hym, ande wondurfully²⁰ was aferde, ande saide, Lorde, who erte þowe? Ande þo awngel saide vnto²¹ hym, þi prayers ande þine almes-dedes ben steghne²² vppe ande²³ ben hade in mynde in þo sighte of God. Ande sende now men vnto²⁴ Ioppen, ande make þe²⁵ knowne wiþ Symonde, þat es called²⁶ Peter, þat es harbarowed²⁷ atte Symons howse, þo curyoure²⁸, whos²⁹ howse stondeþ biside þo see; ande he schal teche þe what þe bihoues to do. Ande³⁰ 7 whanne þo awngel was departud fro hym þat so vnto³¹ hym spake, he called³² tweyne of his owne howse þat wore homely wiþ hym, ande also a knyghte þat mykel dredde God, to be one of hem forto wende þat waye. Whanne he³³ hade tolde hem³⁴ how hit was, he sende hem vnto³⁵ Ioppen. Þo³⁶ toper day þei ȝode þer waye ande kome nere³⁷ vnto³⁸ þe³⁹ cyte. Saynte Peter wente⁴⁰ vppe abouen into þo howse forto saye hise prayers, aboute þo houre of myddaye. Ande efter⁴¹ 10 whanne hym hungred, he wolde⁴² go vnto þo mete⁴³; þo whileste⁴⁴ þei dighte his mete in spiritte he was rausched; ande he sawe heuen opunde, ande a vessel kome þerfro, as 11

¹ byleuden follows Crist, P; in S. in marg. marked to be inserted after Crist. ² Whanne C. þanne S.P.D. C 10 in margin, C. ³ hade dw. C.S.P.D. ⁴ fol. 36 C. ⁵ hette S.P.D. ⁶ Chapter x begins here, S.P.D.; the x chaptre in marg., in late xvith century hand, S. ⁷ whyles S.P.D. ⁸ fol. 103 S. ⁹ to S.P.D. ¹⁰ opunti in marg., marked to be inserted after visyon, S; follows in text, P. ¹¹ nyte S.D. neyte P. ¹²⁻¹³ entrede into hym S.P.D. ¹⁴ om. S.P.D. ¹⁵ S.P.D. ¹⁶ steyzed S.P.D. ¹⁷ ande ben hade om. S.P.D. ¹⁸ into S.P.D. ¹⁹ clepid S.P.D. ²⁰ corueser S.P. ²¹ whas D. ²² fol. 36^b C. ²³ þat S.P.D. ²⁴ ny S.P.D. ²⁵ ȝede S.P. ²⁶⁻²⁷ not (in marg.) go to m... expunged, S.; not etc P. go to mete D. ²⁸ whyle S.P.D.

hit wore a grette schete, by þo foure korners laten downe from
 12 heuen vnto¹ erþe : in þo² whiche wore alle foure-fotud bestes
 13 ande nedders of erþe ande fowles of heuen. & a voyce from
 heuen kome vnto³ hym, ande sayde⁴, Rise, Peter, slee ande
 14 ete. Ande Peter sopely saide, God forbede, Lorde; for neuer
 jitte I ete alle komune & vuclene (as who sey⁵, none suche
 15 bestes)⁶. Ande este þo voyce saide vnto⁷ hym, þat at⁸ God
 16 has made clene, calle⁹ þow hit not comune⁹. Ande¹⁰ þis was
 17 pries done, & þo vessel taken agayne vppe into¹¹ heuen. Ande
 þo while Peter mused in hymselfe what þis vision schulde
 be, þe¹² whiche¹² vnto¹² hym [was]¹³ schewed, þo men kome
 þat¹⁴ wore sende from Cornelyo, ande spirde¹⁵ vnto¹⁵ Symondes
 18 house, ande stoden at þo gate; ande called¹⁶ ynne ande asched
 if Symon, þat es called¹⁷ Peter, wore¹⁸ harbarowed atte þat
 19 place. Sopely as Peter was þenkande vpon¹⁹ his vision, þo
 20 spirit saide vnto²⁰ hym, Loo, three men sechen þe. Rise vppe
 þerfore, ande go downe, ande wende forþe wiþ þem; & be
 21 þow noghte aferde, for I þoo men sente²¹. Saynte Peter
 3ode downe ande sayde vnto²² hem²², Lo, I am he whom þat
 3he seche: what es þo cause wharfore þat 3he hider come?
 22 þo whiche ansuered vnto hym, Cornelius centurio, a man þat
 es rightwise ande trewly dredes God ande has wytnes þeroffe
 alle þo folke of þo Iurye, an ansuere he hade of þo holy
 awngel forto sende efter þe ande brynge þe vnto²³ his howse
 23 þi wordes forto here. Ande Peter ledde hem inne, ande he
 þem þer harbarowede; ande vpon²⁴ þo²⁵ toþer daye roos ande
 3ode forþe wiþ hem; ande summe of his breþer 3ode fro
 24 loppen wiþ hym. & sopely þo²⁶ toþer daye þei enterde into
 Cesarye²⁷. Sopely Cornelyus gadured togider his knowne
 frendes ande²⁸ hem þat nedfulle were vnto²⁹ hym, ande abode
 25 Peter ande þoo³⁰ þat wore wente [for]³¹ hym. Ande so
 whanne Peter was kome ande schulde enter into his howse,

¹ in to S.P.D. ² om. S.P.D. ³ to S.P.D. ⁴ fol. 103^b S. ⁵ seip S.P.
⁶ underlined, S.P.C. ⁷ þat S.P. ⁸ clepe S.P.D. ⁹ & vuclene follows, P.
 onclen in marg., 1st corr. S. ¹⁰ om. S.P. ¹¹ schulde be C. was S.P.D.
¹² fol. 37 C. ¹³ asced S.P.D. ¹⁴ cleped S.P.D. ¹⁵ he in marg.,
 1st corr., marked to be inserted after were, S. ¹⁶ on S.P.D. ¹⁷ corrected
 to sende, 1st corr. S. ¹⁸ þe men S.P.D. ¹⁹ þat S.P. þat oþer D.
²⁰ fol. 104 S. ²¹ fol. 37 C. ²² hem S.P.D. ²³ S.P.D. wiþ C.

Cornelius kome agaynes hym, ande felle downe vnto¹ hine fete, ande worschipped hym. Ande Peter lyfte² hym vppe³ 26 ande saide, Rise, for I am a man as þow erte. Ande whanne 27 to-gider þei⁴ haden spoken, Peter yode yane wiþ hym, ande fonde þer many þat wore komen togader: ande he sayde 28 vnto⁵ hem, þe wote how þat hit es lopely⁶ þinge a Iewe forto⁷ haue comunynge⁸ togider or forto⁹ come vnto men of oþer nacýones¹⁰. Bot God schewed vnto me þat I schulde calle¹¹ no man comune or¹² vnclene: ande þerfore wiþouten 29 dowte I am comen vnto þowe. Ande þerfore I asche þowe for what cause sende þe efter¹³ me furto kome vnto þowe. Ande þanne Cornelius saide, Fro foure dais siþen¹⁴ vnto þis 30 houre I haue fastud ande preyed in my howse; ande þo nynte¹⁵ houre a man stode bifore me in¹⁶ a schynande white cloþinge, ande saide, Cornely, þi preyer es harde, ande þine 31 almes-delus ben þoghte vpon [in]¹⁷ þo sighte of Gorde. Sende 32 þerfore vnto¹⁸ Ioppen efter Symonde, þat es callud¹⁹ Peter; he es harbarowed in Symonde²⁰ howse, þo²¹ curýoure, bi þo sea. Ande þerfore als²² smertely I sente vnto þe; ande þow wele 33 dideste þat þow come vnto vs. Now þerfore we²³ alle ben here bifore þi sighte, forto²⁴ here alle þinges þat ben comawnded²⁵ of God. Peter soþely²⁶ opunde his mouþe ande²⁷ 34 saide, In soþefastenes I hafe fownde ande vndurstonden þat God es noghte outetaker of parsons: bot in alle folke þat 35 dredes hym ande dos rightwisenes, he acceptes ande receyues. He sente his worde vnto²⁸ þo childer of Israel, techande ande 36 schewande pees þurghes Iesu Criste. He þis es Lorde soþely of alle. þe knowe þat²⁹ þo worde³⁰ was made ande knowen bi 37 alle þo Iurye, bigynnaude fro Galilee, efter þo bapteme þat

¹ to S.P.D.
² whanne, S.P.D.

³ toke S.P.D.

⁴ þei in marg. C., follows

⁵ vnto S.P.D. ⁶ rnholy P; in S. with rn in marg. in a later hand.

⁷ comunynge D. cōmynge with a second m inserted above the line, in a later hand, S. ⁸ om. S.P.D. ⁹ nacyon S.P.D.

¹⁰ clepe S.P.D. ¹¹ ne S.P.D. ¹² for S.P. ¹³ henne S.P.D. ¹⁴ nyte

S.D.; nryte P. ¹⁵ & in S.P.D. ¹⁶ S.P.D. ¹⁷ into S.P.D.

¹⁸ cleped S.P.D. ¹⁹ symonys S.P.D. ²⁰ howse þo om. S.P.D.

²¹ also S.P. ²² alsmerly D. ²³ fol. 38 C. ²⁴ þe follows, P.D. þe in

marg., S. ²⁵ opende soþly S.P.D. ²⁶ fol. 104^b S. ²⁷ þe þer with r in

a later hand, S. ²⁸ þe þer P. ²⁹ a worde in marg. 1st corr. S., follows

known, P.

38 saynte Iohn preched, Iesum fro Nazareth, how God en-
 noynted hym þurgh þe Holygoste ande vertewe: þe whiche
 passed by, wele doande, ande helande alle þat¹ wore ouerlyne
 39 wiþ þe dewle. For wiþ hym was God. Ande we ben wytnes
 of alle þinges þat he did in þe Iewrye ande Ierusalem; whom
 40 þei slowe, hongande hym vpon a tree. Hym God raysed
 vnto² life þe þridde daye, ande made³ hym forto be sene (or
 gafe hym to be mayntende, þat es, opunly knowen þat he es
 41 risen agayne⁴), noghte vnto⁵ alle folke, bot to wytnesses þat
 wore bifore ordeynd of God, vnto⁶ vs þat eten ande dranke
 42 wiþ hym efter þat he was risen fro deþe. Ande he bade vs
 preche vnto⁷ þe puple, ande bere wytnes: for he hit es þat
 43 of God es iustise of quikke ande of deade. Vnto⁸ hym alle
 prophetes wytnesses beren⁹; bi þe name of hym alle men þat
 44 trowne in hym forto¹⁰ take forgifnes of alle þer synnes. Þe
 whileste¹¹ Peter spake þise wordes, þe Holygoste fel vpon alle
 45 þat¹² harde þe¹³ wordes. Ande wore awondurd þurgh þe
 circumsicyon þe¹⁴ trewe folke þat komen wiþ Peter, for in
 nacyons þe grace was¹⁵ ȝotted oute of þe Holygoste (þat es, for
 46 þat oþer nacyons hade þe grace of þe Holygoste). þei harden
 47 hem forsoþe spekande langages ande preysande God. Thanne
 ansuered Peter, None may werne ne defende water, þat þise
 ben noghte baptised, þat han receyued þe Holygoste as we
 48 haue; ande comawnded hem forto¹⁶ be baptized in þe name
 of Iesu Criste. Thanne þei preyed hym forto¹⁷ dwelle þere
 summe days wiþ hem¹⁸.

- 11 1 þe apostuls¹⁹ harden ande conceyueden, & also þe breþer,
 þat þe gentiles hade receyued Goddes worde, ande wor-
 2 schipped God þeroffe. Whanne Peter was wente vppe
 agayne vnto²⁰ Ierusalem, þei þat wore circumsiced striuen wiþ
 3 hym, ande saiden, Why ȝodeste þow vnto²¹ men þat hade þer
 circumsicyng²² (²³þat es, whi ȝodeste þow wiþ hem þat haden
 þer prepucy²⁴ ande wore noghte circumsiced²⁵)? ande þow

¹ in marg., S. ² to S.P.D. ³⁻⁵ hym openly known þat he was
 ryisen agayn S.P.D. ⁶ fol. 88^b C. to S.P.D. ⁷ bere wytnes S.P.D.
⁸ whyles S.P.D. ⁹ þe P. ¹⁰ om. P. ¹¹ of þe S.P.D. ¹² fol. 105 S.
¹³ capitulum xi^m follows. C^m II^m in marg., C. þe xi chap¹ in a xvith century
 hand, S. ¹⁴ postuls S.P.D. ¹⁵ in to S.P.D. ¹⁶ prepucyon S.P.
 prepucium D. ¹⁷⁻¹⁸ om. S.P.D. ¹⁹ circumsydyd S.D.

eteste wiþ hem. Ande Peter biganne ande expowned vnto¹ 4
hem bi ordur, ande saide, I was in þo cyte of Ioppen prey- 5
ande: ande I² sawe, as I was rauished in spyrte, a³ visione,
a vessel comande downe, as hit hade ben a grete schete
laten⁴ downe bi þo foure korners fro heuen, ande come vnto⁵
me. Ande as I bihelde þer-inne, I sawe foure-fotud bestes of 6
erthe & crepande wormes ande fowles of heuen. Ande soþely 7
I harde a voyce sayande to me, Rise, Peter, sles ande etc.
Ande I saide agayne, Nay, Lorde, for alle vnclene þinge⁸ s
entwile noghte⁹ into my mowþe. Ande soþely þo voyce 9
ansuered þo secunde tyme, ande saide, þat at¹⁰ God haues
clensed, say þow noghte hit es vnclene. ¹¹Ande þat was 10
thryes done¹², ande alle were taken vppe into heuen. Ande 11
als¹³ smertely three men stoden¹⁴ in þo howse þat I was inne,
sende fro Cesarye vnto¹⁵ me. Ande þo¹⁶ Spiritte saide 12
vnto¹⁷ me þat I schulde go wiþ hem, no þinge dowlande.
Soþely þer come wiþ me þise sexe breþer; ande we yode into
þo mannes howse: ande he tolde vnto¹⁸ vs how he hade sene 13
þo awngel of God stondynge in his howse, ande sayande vnto¹⁹
hym, Sende into Ioppen to Symon, þat es called²⁰ Peter, forto
come vnto þe; þo whiche schal speke²¹ wordes to þe, in þo 14
whiche þow schalte be saued, þow ande alle þi meyne.
Soþely whanne I biganne to speke, þo Holygoste come downe 15
vpon hem, as he did vpoune²² vs in þo bigynnynge. Forsoþe 16
I vnpoghte²³ me of²⁴ þo wordes of oure Lorde, as²⁵ he saide,
Iohn forsoþe baptised wiþ water; 3he soþely schul be baptised
wiþ þo Holygoste. þerfore if God haue gifen vnto²⁶ hym þo 17
saine grace þat he haues²⁷ vnto²⁸ vs, þat trowed in Iesu Criste,
whatte was I to werne oure Lorde forto²⁹ gife hem þo
Holygoste? (³⁰As who say, how myghte I or schulde I³¹
warne God to gife vnto³² hem þo Holygoste³³, þat trowed in þo
name of Iesu Criste.) Whanne þei hade harde³⁴ þis, þei 18
helde hem stille, ande þanked God, ande saide, þerfore God

¹ to S.P.D. ² fol. 39 C. ³ in a S.P.D. ⁴ y laten S.P. i erased
before laten, D. ⁵ comune þinge or vnclene S.P.D. ⁶ newers S.P.D.
⁷ þat S.P. ⁸⁻⁹ & þanne soþly þis was don S.P.D. ¹⁰ also S.P.
¹¹ fol. 105^b S. ¹² om. S.P. ¹³ cleped S.P.D. ¹⁴ kepe S.P. ¹⁵ in S.P.D.
¹⁶ byþouȝte S.P.D. ¹⁷ on P. ¹⁸ fol. 39^b C. ¹⁹ hap seuen S.P.D.
²⁰⁻²¹ underlined, S.P. ²² om. S.P.D.

haues gifen vnto¹ þo gentiles penaunce to þo lyfe euer-
 19 lastande. Ande þei for certayne þat wore spredde obrode fro
 þo tribulacyone þat vndur² Steuen was done, jeden³ aboute
 to þei kome vnto¹ Fenys, ande to Ciprum, ande Antioche, to
 20 no man spekande worde bot onely vnto¹ þo Iewes. Sopely
 summe of hem wore men of Cipri ande of Cirenny, þo whiche,
 whanne þei comen vnto Antioche⁴, þei speken vnto¹ þo
 21 gentiles, tellande ande schewande Ihesu Criste. Ande
 Goddes myghte was wiþ hem, ande myche noumbur of trow-
 22 ande⁵ was conuerted vnto¹ God. Sopely þo worde þeroffe
 come vnto¹ þo heryng of þo chirche, þat was in Ierusalem,
 of pise⁶ þinges: ande þei sende Barnabas vnto¹ Antioche.
 23 Whanne þat he come þider, ande⁷ sawe þo grace of God, he
 was ioyful; ande he excited hem alle to holde þer hertes
 24 stabul in þer purpos to God. For⁸ he was a gode man, ande
 fulle of þo Holygoste ande of⁹ faþe: ande myche puple put
 25 hem vnto¹ God. After he ȝode to Tharsum forto seche
 Sawle; þo whiche, whanne þei¹⁰ haden hym fownden, he
 26 ledde hym vnto¹¹ Antioche. Ande alle a¹² hole ȝhere þei
 dwelled þore togider in¹³ chirche, ande tawghten myche puple;
 so þat þei wore knowne in alle Antioche for Cristes discipula.
 27 Ande sopely in þise days þat þei þer wore, þer come prophetes
 28 fro Ierusalem vnto¹ Antioche. Ande one of hem, whos¹⁴
 name was Agabus, ros vppe, ande prophecyyed or bitokende
 þurgh spiritte a grete hunger þat was forto come þurgh-oute
 alle þo worlde; þo whiche was done in þo¹⁵ tyme of Claudii.
 29 þo disciples, icheone forsoþe after þat þei haden, purposed to
 sende vnto¹ þer breþer, þat hit myghte serue hem þat wore
 30 dwellande atte¹⁶ Iude vnto¹ þer sustynaunce. Ande so þei
 diden, sendande hit vnto¹ þo eldeste by Barnabas ande Saule¹⁷.
 12 1 þo same tyme sente Herowde þo kenge powere, summe¹⁸
 2 of holy chirche to tourmente. Sopely he slowe Iames, Jones¹⁹

¹ to S.P.D.² om. P.³ þei ȝeden S.P.D.⁴ fol. 106 B.⁵ þat trowede S.P.D.⁶ om. S.P.⁷ he S.P.⁸ fol. 40 C.⁹ om. S.P.D.¹⁰ he had S.P.D.¹¹ into S.P.D.¹² an S.P.¹³ in þe S.P.D.¹⁴ whas D. whos with o on erasure, S.¹⁵ in S.P.D.¹⁶ Capitulum xii^m follows; in marg. C^m 12 C. y^e xii c^e in a xvith cent. hand, S.¹⁷ to tourmente precedes in S.P.D.¹⁸ Iames Jones in

different ink on erasure, C.

broþer, wiþ a swerde. He sawe¹ þat he myghte [so]² plesse to 3
 þo Iewea. He sette forto³ take Peter⁴, ande⁵ whanne þat 4
 he⁶ hade hym taken, he sende hym into prisone, ande
 bitawghte⁷ hym to sours knyghtes forto⁸ kepe; for hit was
 lenten⁹ tyme, ande efter Paske wolde he lede hym forþo
 vnto¹⁰ þo puple. Ande Peter soþely was holden in prisone: 5
 soþely preyer was made for hym vnto¹¹ God wiþouten
 cessynge of holy chirche. Forsoþe whanne þat Herowde 6
 schulde haue ledde hym forþe¹², in þat nyghte bifore was
 Peter slepande bitwene twoo knyghtes, bownde wiþ twoo
 chenyas; ande kepars bifore þo ȝhates kepped þo prisone.
 Ande lo, þer stode by hym an awngel¹³, ande lyghteful 7
 schyned¹⁴ in þo stede þer he was: he smote Peter vpon¹⁵ þo
 side, ande stired¹⁶ hym & sayde, Rise vppe smertely. Ande
 þo chenyas felle of hise bende¹⁷. Ande soþely þo awngel 8
 saide vnto¹⁸ hym, Girde þe, ande do vpon¹⁹ þi²⁰ schone ande
 þine hoses. Ande so he did. & he²¹ sayde vnto²² hym, Keste
 þi cloþes aboute þe, ande folow me. Ande he ȝode oute, ande 9
 he folowed, ande wiste noghte þat hit was soþe þat þat²³ was
 now²⁴ done bi þo awngel: for he wende þat²⁵ he hade ben in a
 vision. Þei passed soþely þo firste ande þo secuunde warde, 10
 ande komen vnto²⁶ þo iren ȝhate þo whiche ledes vnto²⁷ þo
 cyte, þat onone was opunde to hem: ande þei ȝode oute ande
 wente forþe into a way; ande þo awngel departed fro hym.
 Ande Peter turned hym vnto²⁸ hymself, ande saide, Nowe 11
 wote I wele, þat God haues²⁹ sende his awngel vnto³⁰ me, ande
 delyuered me oute of þo power of Herowde, &³¹ fro alle þo
 abidynges of þo puple of þe³² Iewrye. Ande³³ he bihelde ande 12
 come vnto Maryes³⁴ howse, þat was Ioones modur, þo whiche
 was knowen name Marcus, where þat many wore gadured
 togider, ande were preyande. Ande soþely whan he knocked³⁵ 13
 at þo dore of þo ȝhate, þer come forþe a wenche þat hatte³⁶

¹ fol. 106^b S. ² S.P.D. ³ to S.P.D. ⁴ take peter repeated in marg.,
 1st corr. S. ⁵ om. S.P.D. ⁶ om. P. ⁷ bytooke S.P.D. ⁸ in l. S.P.D.
⁹ erasure of about 5 letters follows, C. ¹⁰ aungel of god S.P.D.
¹¹ schynynge S.P.D. ¹² on S.P.D. ¹³ meude S.P.D. ¹⁴ hondis S.P.D.
¹⁵ þi hoses & þi schone S.P.D. ¹⁶ fol. 41 C. ¹⁷ fol. 107 S. ¹⁸ his
 expunged, S. ¹⁹ cnokkyng S.P. ²⁰ hyzte S.P. ²¹ hete D.

- 14 Rode, to loke who was *pers*. Ande whanne sche harde þo
 voyce of Peter, for ioy sche¹ ranne², lefte þo ȝhate sparde³,
 15 ande tolde hem þat Peter stondes bifore þe ȝate. Ande þei
 saide vnto⁴ hire, þow maddes⁵. Sche⁶ saide, Sopely hit es
 16 so. Ande sopely þei saide, Hit es an⁷ awngel. Peter
 sopely stode stille atte þo ȝhate ande knocked. Whanne þei
 hade þo ȝhate opunde, þei sawe hym ande wore awondured.
 17 Ande he bekkende vnto⁸ hem wiþ hise honde þat þei schulde
 holde þeni stille. He tolde how þat God hade ledde hym
 oute of⁹ prisone, ande saide, Sendes worde herof vnto¹⁰
 Iames, ande to oure breþer. Ande he ȝede forþe, ande wente
 18 into an-oþer place. Whanne þat þo day come, *per* was not
 made a lytel turbulynge amonge þo knyghtes þat hym
 19 kepped, what was bifallen of Peter. Sopely whanne Herowde
 asched efter hym, ande wolde haue ledde hym vnto¹¹ þo puple,
 ande fonde hym noghte, he¹² made to asche¹³ of þo kepars,
 ande [he comawnded]¹⁴ brynge hem vnto¹⁵ hym. Ande
 Peter ȝode fro Iu[de]¹⁶ into Cesarye, ande *per* he dwelled.¹⁷
 20 [Soply wiþ Tyrus & Sydonus Heroude was wroþ. But þei
 wiþ o wylle come to hym & Persuasoblasto¹⁸ (!) þat was þe
 kenges higheste chaumbirleyn, þei asked pees of hym, for þat
 21 he schulde goo into þere kengdomes.¹⁹] Afterworde, vpon²⁰
 a day þat²¹ was ordeynde, Herowde cladde²² hym in kenges
 cloþinge, ande sette hym vpon²³ a sege, ande cownseyld wiþ þo
 22 folke of Tiris ande Sidone. Ande þo folke cried, Wiþ goddes
 23 voyce ande noghte with mannes. Ande also²⁴ smertely an
 awngel of God smote hym, for he gafe noghte worschip nor²⁵
 honoure vnto²⁶ God, ande was wastud with wormes ande dyed.
 24 Sopely þanne þo worde of God wexe and was made myche²⁷.
 25 Wanne²⁸ Barnabas ande Saule haden don *per* office atte
 Ierusalem, þei turne[d]²⁹ þem agayne, ande toke wiþ hem

¹ ȝhe P. ² ran in d S.P.D. ³ cloyd S.P.D. ⁴ to S.P.D.

⁵ art madd S.P.D. ⁶ his S.P.D. ⁷ of þe S.P. ⁸⁻⁹ enquired S.P.D.

¹⁰ S.P.D. ¹¹ fro Iu in marg., de cut away in the binding, C. ¹² Verse 20
 is missing in C.; it has been supplied from S. fol. 41^b C. ¹³ Vulg. et
 persuaso Blasto. ¹⁴ Vulg. eo quod alerentur regiones eorum ab illo.

¹⁵ on S.P.D. ¹⁶ fol. 107^b S. ¹⁷ cloped S.P.D. ¹⁸ on his S.P.D.

¹⁹ soply S.P. ²⁰ ne S.P.D. ²¹ epistola follows, C. ²² C^m 13^m in the
 margin on erasure, C. ²³ turnen C. turned S.P.D.

John Marcus¹. þer² wore at Antioche in þo chirche prophetes : 13
 aude doctourea, amonge þo whiche wore Barnabas ande
 Symeon, þat was called³ Blakke, ande Lucy of Cyrene⁴,
 ande Manaen þat was þo plawfere⁵ of Herowde þo Tetrarke⁶,
 ande Saulus. Ande whanne þei mynisterde vnto⁷ Godde
 ande fastud, þo Holygoste saide vnto⁸ hem, Twynnes⁹ to me
 Barnaban¹⁰ ande Saulum vnto¹¹ þo warke þat I haue taken
 þem to. þan þo¹² apostules¹³ fastud¹⁴ ande preyed ande layde
 onne hem þer hondes ande lete hem go. & Barna[ba]s ande 4
 Sawle¹⁵, þat wore sende of þo Holigoste, yode vnto¹⁶ Seleuce,
 ande sio þeþen¹⁷ þei schipped vnto¹⁸ Cyper. Ande whanne 5
 þei wore kome to Salainyne, þei preched Goddes worde in
 þo synagoges¹⁹ of þo Iewes, ande²⁰ þei haden wiþ hem John in
 mynistrynge of Goddes worde. Ande whanne þei hade 6
 ouergone alle þat ile vnto Paphum, þei sonde a man þat was
 a wycche, a false prophete ande a Iewe, ande hise name was
 Baryehu ; þat was wiþ þo proconsul Sergyo Paulo, þo whiche 7
 was a ware²¹ man ande wise²². (A proconsul es he þat ledes
 a towne, or guernes bi cownseyl.)²³ He þis proconsul called²⁴
 Barnaban ande Poule vnto²⁵ hym, for he desired to hers þo
 worde²⁶ of God. Ande he Elymas þo wiche wiþstode hem, for 8
 þus was hise name expowned or called²⁷, Elymas. Ande he
 þis wyche was abowte in alle þat he kouþe to turne þo²⁸ pro-
 consul fro þo faiþe. Ande Poule was fulfilled wiþ þo Holy- 9
 goste, ande bihelde hym, & saide, A, þow þat erte ful of alle 10
 gile, ande fulle of fallace, ande sone of þo fende, & enmye of
 alle rightwisenes, þow styntes²⁹ noghte to vndo þo righte
 ways of God. & lo, þo honde of God es vpon³⁰ þe, ande þow 11
 schalte be blynde, ande þow schalte noghte see þo sonne
 vnto³¹ certayne tyme. Ande onone dymnes ande³² derkenes
 felle vpon hym ; ande he wente aboute sekande if any wolde

¹ þe which is clepid Marchus in darker ink on erasure, S. ² Chap. xiii.
 begins here, S.P.D. ³ y^e xiii c^o in a xvith century hand, S. ⁴ cleped S.P.D.
⁵ cyrenence S.P.D. ⁶ þe blawfere S.D. ⁷ blawfere P. ⁸ second r erased,
 S. ⁹ detrache P. ¹⁰ to S.P.D. ¹¹ departe S.P.D. ¹² Saule & barnaban
 S.P.D. ¹³ om. P. ¹⁴ postelus S.P.D. ¹⁵ faste S.P.D. ¹⁶ Saulus
 & barnabas S.P.D. ¹⁷ þen S.P.D. ¹⁸ synagoge S.P.D. ¹⁹ fol. 42 C.
²⁰ styg S.P. ²¹ fol. 108 S. ²² gloss underlined, S. ²³ of, expunged,
 follows, C. ²⁴ restest S.P. ²⁵ on S.P. ²⁶ dymnes ande om. S.P.D.

12 take his honde to lede hym. Thanne þo proconsul, whanne
 he sawe þis, he trowed in God, ande meruayled on þo doctrine
 13 of God. Ande whaane Poule ande þoo þat wore wiþ [hym]¹
 schipped² fro Papho, þei come vnto³ Pergen of Pamphilye:
 ande Iohn departed fro hem ande turned agayne vnto⁴
 14 Ierusalem. Ande þei passande þurghe Pergen come⁵ vnto
 Antioche of [Persidy]⁶; ande in þo daye of sabbate þei
 15 enterd into þo synagoge ande sete þerinne. Ande efter þo
 lessone of þo lawe ande of þo prophetes, [þe prynces]⁷ of þo⁸
 synagoge sende vnto⁹ hem, sayande, 3he men, dere¹⁰ breþer, if
 þer be any worde of exhortacyon vnto¹¹ þo puple, says hit.
 16 Ande¹² Poule risande ande wiþ his honde biddande¹³ silence
 he saide vnto¹⁴ hem, Men of Israel, ande 3he þat dreden
 17 God, heres¹⁵ þise wordes. þo God of þo fulke of Israel
 chesed¹⁶ oure faders, ande he highed hise folke þe¹⁷ whileste
 þei were comelynges ande dwellynge in þo lande of Egipte,
 ande in stalworþe arme ande¹⁸ highe myghte he ledde hem
 18 oute of þo lande of Egipte. Ande by þo tyme of fourty jeres
 19 he suffured þer maners in þo deserte; ande destroyed seuen
 nacyons in þo lande of Chanaan, ande by lotte he dalte vnto¹⁹
 20 hem þer londe, as after foure hundreþe²⁰ ande fifty jere.
 Ande after þis he gafe hem domes-men to rewle hem vnto²¹
 21 þo tyme of Samuel þo prophete. Ande fro þo tyme of
 Samuel þei asched a kenge to be þer gouernoure: ande God
 gafe hem a kenge, Saul þo sone of Cys, of²² þo tribe of
 22 Beniamyn, fourty²³ 3here. Ande after hym þis²⁴ Saule, God
 gafe vnto²⁵ hem Daud þo kenge, vnto²⁶ whom he beres wytnes,
 ande says²⁷, I haue fownden Daud, þo sone of Iesse, a man
 23 efter my hertte þo whiche schal do alle my willes. Of þo
 sede of hym þis Daud²⁸ God sende, as he biheghte, a
 24 sauoure vnto²⁹ Israel, Ihesu. Ande Iohn preched bifore þo
 face of his comyng þo baptyme of penawnce vnto³⁰ alle þo

¹ S.P.D.² fol. 42^b C.³ to S.P.D.⁴ & come S.P.D.⁵ S.P.D.; a blank with room for circa 5 letters, C.⁶ om. D.P.⁷ om. S.P.D.⁸ and soþly S.P.⁹ bad S.P.D. Between honde and

biddande erasure of about 5 letters, C.

¹⁰ fol. 108^b S.¹¹ chese. with

erasure of one letter, S. chese P.

¹² whyllis S.P.D.¹³ & in S.P.D.¹⁴ hundred S.P.D.¹⁵ a man of S.P.D.¹⁶ fol. 43 C.¹⁷ hym þis om.

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¹⁸ seyde S.P.D.¹⁹ þis Daud om. S.P.D.

puple of Israel. Ande whanne Iohn hade fulfilled his course, ²⁵ he saide vnto¹ po folke of Israel, I am noghte be whom² she supposed þat I was. Bot loo, he comes efter me, of whom I am noghte worpi to lowse þo chausers³ of hise fete. Ande ²⁶ vnto¹ þowe, dere breþer ande childer of þo kynne⁴ of Abraham, ande to þoo⁵ þat in þowe drede God es sende þo worde of þis hele⁶. Bot⁷ þoo þat dwelled⁸ in Ierusalem, ande ²⁷ þo princes of þat cyte, þat knewe noghte þis Iesu, ande þo voyce⁹ ande þo¹⁰ spekyng of þo prophetea, þo whiche ben redde iche sabbate, þei fulfilled, demande hym. Ande no ²⁸ cause of deþe þei funde in hym, ande jitte¹¹ þei asched of Pilate forto slee hym. Ande whanne þei hade¹² ended alle ²⁹ þinges þat wore writen of hym, þei toke hym downe of þo tree, ande layde hym in a graue. Ande God raysed¹³ hym ³⁰ fro deþe vpon¹⁴ þo thridde daye, ande he was sene bi many dayes of hem þat komen wiþ hym fro Galilee vnto Ierusalem, ³¹ þat jitte vnto¹⁵ þis day ben hise wytnes to þo puple. Ande ³² we schewe¹⁶ vnto¹⁷ þowe þo biheste þat God highte vnto¹⁸ oure fadirs: þat God haues fulfilled hit in oure¹⁹ childer, raysande ³³ Iesu²⁰ fro þo deþe; as hit es writen in þo secunde psalme, My sone þow erte, þis day I²¹ haue goten þe²². Ande for þat ³⁴ he so raysed hym from þe deþe, þat he schulde no more see corrupcyone, þus he saide, I schal gife vnto²³ þowe þo holy trewe þinges of Dauid. Ande þerfore he says in an-oþer ³⁵ place, I schal noghte gife þine halowe forto²⁴ see corrupcyone. Bot Dauid in his generacyone, whanne he hade mynysterde ³⁶ vnto²⁵ þo wille of God, he slepped (or, dyed), ande was layde²⁶ vnto hise faders, ande²⁷ he sawe corrupcyone. Bot he þat ³⁷ God raysed²⁸ fro þo deþe sawe no²⁹ corrupcyone. Ande þer- ³⁸ fore þhe men, dere breþer, be hit knowne vnto³⁰ þowe þat bi hym es schewed to þowe of alle remyssion of þoure synnes,

¹ to S.P.D. ² þat S.P. ³ schoon S.P. ⁴ after kynne erasure of circa 8 letters, C. ⁵ þow S.P.D. ⁶ fol. 109 S. ⁷ But soþly S.P.D.
⁸ duellen S.P.D. ⁹ royces S.P.D. ¹⁰ om. S.P.D. ¹¹ om. P.
¹² soþlyche reryd S.P.D. ¹³ in S.P.D. ¹⁴ schewed P. ¹⁵ to S.P.D.
fol. 43^b C. ¹⁶ after oure erasure of 4 letters, C. ¹⁷ om. S.P.
¹⁸ haue I S.P.D. ¹⁹ in marg. 1st corr. S. om. D. ²⁰ set P. put on
erasure in a later hand, S. ²¹ & as P. as erased in S. ²² reryd S.P.D.
²³ not S.P.D.

fro þo whiche þhe myghte noghte be iustified in þo lawe of
 39,40 Moyses¹. Bot in hym whoso trowes, he es iustified. Bes
 ware þerfore, þat hit kome noghte vnto² þowe, þat es writen
 41 in þo prophetes : Ses, þhe despisars, ande þhe meruayle, ande
 þhe ben loste ; for a warke I³ wirche in þowre days, þo warke
 42 þat þhe schal noghte trowe, if any telle hit vnto⁴ þowe. Ande
 whanne þei wente oute of þo synagoge, þo puple preyed hem
 þat þei⁵ schulde⁶ speke þise wordes in þo nexte sabbate
 43 folowande. Ande whanne þei hade lefte þo synagoge, many
 Iewes ande comelynges folowed Poule ande Barnaban ; ande
 44 þei amonestud þem forto dwelle in þo grace offe God. Ande
 in þo nexte sabbate folowande alle þo cyte almoste come
 45 forto⁷ here Goddes worde. Ande þo Iewes see grete multi-
 tude of folke come forto here Poule, ande þei wore fulle of
 enuye ande agaynsaide þo wordus of Poule, blasphemande.
 46 Thanne saiden Poule ande Barnabas traistely vnto þe Iewes,
 To þowe firste hit⁸ bihoued⁹ to speke Goddes worde. Bot for
 þhe refuse hit, ande deme þowreseluen vnworþi to aylastande¹⁰
 47 life, loo, we turnen vs vnto¹¹ nacyons ande leue þowe. For so
 oure Lorde bade vs, I haue sette þe, he saide, in lyghte of
 nacyones, þat þow be my hele vnto¹² þo ende of þo¹³ erþe.
 48 Ande þe nacyons whanne þei harde þis¹⁴ worde, "þei wore
 ioyfulle, ande þei glorified þo worde¹⁵ of God : ande als many
 49 as wore ordeynde to aye-lastande¹⁶ life troweden. Ande þo
 50 worde of God was sparpulde þurghe alle þo contree. Ande
 þo Iewes stirde¹⁷ relygiowse wymmen¹⁸ ande honeste, ande¹⁹
 þo firste of þo cyte, & þei stirde²⁰ a persecucyone to Poule
 ande Barnaban, ande²¹ keste²² hem oute of þer contrees²³.
 51 Ande Poule ande Barnaban keste þo powder of þer fete
 52 agaynes²⁴ hem, ande kome vnto Yconye. Ande þo discipules
 wore fulfilled²⁵ wip ioye & wip þo Holygoste.

¹ fol. 109^b S. ² to S.P.D. ³ þat I C. ⁴ om. S.P. to D.
⁵ erasure of circa 7 letters follows, C. ⁶ fol. 44 C. ⁷ om. S.P.D.
⁸ byhourþ S.P.D. ⁹ þe euerelastyng S.P.D. ¹⁰ þe on erasure ; in
 marg. ioyeden & glorifyeden þe in a later hand, marked to be inserted after
 herde, S. ¹¹⁻¹² om. S.P.D. ¹³ entysed S.P.D. ¹⁴ wym above the line,
 in a later hand, S ; men P. ¹⁵ om. P. ¹⁶ meuyd S.P.D. ¹⁷ fol. 110 S.
¹⁸ chasyd S.P.D. ¹⁹ cuntrey S.P.D. ²⁰ fol. 49^b C. ²¹ fyllyd S.P.

Ande¹ hit bifelle in Iconye, þat grette multitude of Iewes : 14
 ande of Grekes enturde togadire vnto² þo synagoga. Ande 2
 þo Iewes þat wore vntrowþeful stired³ persecucyone, ande
 excited þo hertes⁴ of nacyons agaynes þo breþer. Bot God 3
 grawnted sone pees, ande longe tyme þei dwelled þer, doande
 trestly⁵ & stedfastely in God, þat bere⁶ wytnes vnto⁷ þe worde
 of hise grace, ande grawnted wondures ande tokens to be
 done by þo hende of hise seruantea. Bot þo multitude of þat 4
 cytee was deuydid; for summe helde wiþ þo Iewes, summe⁸
 wiþ þo apostula. Ande whanne þo hastynes of þo Iewes 5
 ande þe gentyles assentud togider wiþ þer princes, forto⁹
 punysche þo apostuls wiþ iniuryos wordes, ande forto stone
 hem, whanne þei knewe þis, þei fledde into þo cytes of 6
 Lycaonye, Lystram ande Derben ande alle þo contre aboute :
 ande þere þei wore prechande. Ande alle þo multitude was
 stired¹⁰ in þer doctrine; ande Poule ande Barnabas dwelled
 in Lystris. Ande þer was a man in Lystris þat was¹¹ seke in 7
 his fete, ande was¹² halte ande lame fro his moder wombe,
 ande neuer wente vpon¹³ hise fete. He þis harde Poule 8
 spekande : ande Poule bihelde hym & sawe þat¹⁴ he hade
 faiþe to be sawfe, ande cryed wiþ a grette voyce ande saide, 9
 To þe I saye in þe name of oure¹⁵ Lorde Iesu Criste, rise
 vpon þi fete righte. Ande he stirte vppe ande ȝode. Ande 10
 whanne þo companyes seghe þis þat Poule did, þo men of
 Lycaonye lyfte vppe¹⁶ þer voyce & saide, Goddes ben comen¹⁷
 vnto¹⁸ vs in lyknes of men. Ande þei called¹⁹ Barnaban Iouem 11
 ande Poule²⁰ Mercurye, for he was ledar ande spekar of þo
 worde. Ande þo preste of Iouys, þo whiche was bifore þo 12
 cytee, broghte bulles ande corownes bifore þo²¹ ȝhates, ande²²
 wiþ þo puple he wolde haue done sacrifice vnto²³ Poule ande
 Barnabas. Ande whanne þo apostuls harden þis, þei schere²⁴ 13

¹ C^m 14^m in a later hand, in marg., C. þ^e xiiii c^o in a xvith cent. hand, S.
² into S.P.D. ³ meuyd S.P.D. ⁴ wylle S.P.D. ⁵ trewely S.P.D.
⁶ here P. ⁷ to S.P.D. ⁸ & summe P. ⁹⁻¹⁰ om. S.P.D. ¹⁰ on S.P.D.
¹¹ fol. 45 C. ¹² fol. 110^b S. ¹³ hyȝed S.P.D. ¹⁴ Godes arme is come,
 S.P.D. ¹⁵ cleped S.P.D. ¹⁶ after poule erasure of 3 letters, C.
¹⁷⁻¹⁹ om. S.P.D. brynggynk bolles & crownes in marg. 1st corr. marked to be
 inserted after puple, S; P. reads, bifore þe ȝatis wiþ þe peple brynggynge
 bolles & trowes. ¹⁸ erased, S. ¹⁹ kitte S.P.D.

^{per} clopes ande stirtte forþe amonge þo multitude, criande
¹⁴ ande sayande, A, men, wherto done ȝhe þus? We ben bot
 dedly men lyke to ȝowe, schewande ande prechande vnto¹
 ȝowe sorto turne ȝowe fro þise vayne þinges vnto¹ þo lifande
 God, þat made heuen ande erthe, þo see ande alle þat ben in
¹⁵ hem: þo whiche God in generacyones bifore lete gentiles² to
¹⁶ enter hise waya. Ande noghte wiþouten testymonye leste
 he hymselfe, wele doande, ande gifande raynes from heuen
 ande fruteful tymes, & fillaude ȝoure hertes wiþ mete ande
¹⁷ gladnes. Ande ȝitte whanne þei saide þise, vneþes myghte
 þei stille þo companyse þat ne³ þei wolde sacrifice vnto¹ hem.
¹⁸ Bot summe Iewes comen in þo meue tyme from Antyoche
 ande Yconye, ande made ille⁴ suggestion to þo puple of
 Poule, ande þei stoned hym, ande drowe hym wiþouten þo
¹⁹ cyte, supposande þat he was dede. Ande whanne þo discipuls
 comen abowte hym, he roos vppe ande entered into þo cyte:
 ande in þo daye after he wente⁵ wiþ Barnabas into Derben.
²⁰ Ande whanne þei⁶ hade preched vnto¹ þat cyte, ande haden
 tawghte many, þei wente agayne vnto¹ Lyster ande Yconye
²¹ ande vnto¹ Antyoche, ande confermed þo sowles of þo
 discipuls, ande made exhortacyone to hem þat þei schulde
 dwelle in þo faipe, ande tolde vnto¹ hem þat hit bihoues by
 many tribulacyones to enter into þo kengedam of God⁷.
²² Ande⁸ whanne þo apostuls haden ordeynede vnto¹ hem by
 syngulere chirches prestes, ande whanne þei hade preyed
 ande fasted, þei comended hem vnto¹ God in whom þei
²³ trowed. Ande þo apostuls⁹ passande¹⁰ þurgh Psidie¹¹, þei¹²
²⁴ come into Pamphilye. Ande þei speke Goddes worde in
²⁵ Pergen, ande fro þeþen¹³ þei¹⁴ wente vnto¹⁵ Atthlaye; ande
 fro þeþen¹⁶ þei schipped into Antioche, where þei wore bitaken
²⁶ to þo grace of God into þo warke þat þei hade fulfilled. Ande
 whanne þei wore comen þider ande hade gaderd togider þo¹⁷

¹ to S.P.D.² on erasure, different ink, C.³ fol. 45^b C.⁴ yuel S.P.D.⁵ ȝede S.P.D.⁶ fol. 111 S.⁷ heuene S.P.D.⁸ new paragraph with initial, C. no break in S.P.D.⁹ postuls S.P.¹⁰ passyn S.P.D.¹¹ sydya D. sydya with per added above the line, S;¹² persydya P.¹³ & þei S.P.¹⁴ þeyn S.D. þyn P.¹⁵ þeyn P.¹⁶ in to S.P.¹⁷ þeyn S.P. þen D.¹⁸ fol. 46 C.

disciples¹ of holy chirche², þei tolde how myche God hade³ done wiþ hem, ande how þat God hade⁴ opunde vnto⁵ þo nacyons þo zate of þo faiþe. Ande þei dwelled a longe tyme 27 wiþ þo disciples. Ande⁶ summe þat comen from þo lewrye : 15 tawghte ande preched vnto⁷ þe breþer ande saide, Bot if 3he be circumcydid efter þo custome of Moysi, 3he maye noghte be saue. Ande a grete sedicyon was made vnto⁸ Poule ande 2 Barnabas agaynes hem ; ande Poule saide vnto⁹ hem þat þei schulde abide iu þo same trowþe þat þei wore inne. Ande Poule & Barnabas ande summe of oþer disciples ordeynde þat þei schulde goo vnto¹⁰ þo apostuls ande þo prestes þat wore in¹¹ Ierusalem to wyte of þis question¹². Ande þei, whanne 3 þei wore forþe-ledde of þo disciples¹³, þei passed þurgh Fenyce ande Samarye, tellande þo conuersacyone¹⁴ ande þo lifynge of nacyons : ande þei made myche ioie to alle þo breþer. Ande 4 whanne þei come to Ierusalem, þei wore receyued of þo congregacyone ande of þo apostuls ande þe eldars, ande þei tolde what God hade done wiþ hem. Ande þanne ros vppe 5 summe of þo heresie¹⁵ of þo Pharisees, þe whiche trowed, ande saide þat hit byhoued¹⁶ hem forto¹⁷ be circumcided ande also forto bidde to kepe þo lawe of Moysi. & þo¹⁸ apostuls ande 6 þo eldars wente togider to auyse¹⁹ of þis worde. Ande 7 whanne grete aschinge ande sechinge was of þis þinge, Peter ros vppe, ande saide vnto²⁰ hem, 3he men, oure breþer, 3he knowe þat fro²¹ elder days in vs God haues chosen bi my mouþe nacyons²² to here þo worde of þo gospelle ande forto trowe. Ande he, þat knewe þo herttes of alle, bere wytnes 8 vnto þis, gifande vnto²³ hem þo Holygoste as to vs. Ande 9 noghte he departed (or, made difference) bitwixe hem ande vs, clensande²⁴ in þo faiþe þo hertes of hem. Bot nowe 10 þanne²⁵ wharto tempte 3he to laye þo zoke ande charge vpon²⁶

¹ disciples of holy om. S.P.D. ² chirche þ¹ bylcuyd S.P.D. ³ hap P.
⁴ om. S.P. hap D. ⁵ to S.P.D. ⁶ new paragraph with initial, S.P.D.
⁷ y^e xv c^o in a xvith cent. hand, S. C^m 15^m in a late hand in marg., C.
⁸ fol. 111^b S. ⁹ & þei wente follows, S.P.D. ¹⁰ þei wers
 lad forþ of þe chirche, þat is, of hem (hem om. S.P.) þat bylcuyd S.P.D.
¹¹ sa expunged, S. ¹² conuersayoun P. ¹³ heresie of þo om. S.P.D.
¹⁴ byhouep S.P.D. ¹⁵ fol. 46^b C. ¹⁶ auyse hem S.P. ¹⁷ fro þe P.
¹⁸ þe n. S.P.D. ¹⁹ he clensynge S.P.D. ²⁰ om. S.P.D. ²¹ on S.P.

þo heued of þo disciples, þat noþer¹ oure faders nor we myghte
 11 bere? Bot² we hopen forto be saued by þo grace of oure
 12 Lorde Iesu Criste, as þei ben. Ande³ alle þo multitude was
 stille; ande þei harden Barnaban ande Poule tellande⁴ how
 myche God hade done merueyles⁵ ande tokens in nacyons by
 13 hem. Ande after þat þei wore stille, Iames ansuered ande
 14 saide, 3he men⁶, dere breþer, heres me. Symon has tolde
 vnto⁷ 3owe onne what maner firste God visit[ed]⁸, to take
 15 þo⁹ puple of nacyones vnto¹⁰ his name. Ande to hym
 16 accorden þo wordes of þo prophetes: as hit es wryten, Ester
 þise I schal go agayn, ande I schal edifye agayne þo
 tabernacle of Dauid, þo whiche es fallen¹¹; ande I schal bigge¹²
 17 agayn þo broken of it, ande I schal vpraise¹³ hit: þat þo
 remnaunte of men seche þer¹⁴ Lorde, ande alle nacyons vpon
 18 whom es incalled¹⁵ my name, sais þe Lorde doande þis. For
 19 fro þo¹⁶ worlde es knowne vnto¹⁷ God his warke. Wharfore
 I iuge hem þat ben turned vnto¹⁸ God offe nacyons¹⁹ noghte
 20 forto²⁰ be vneside: bot forto write vnto²¹ hem þat þei abstene
 hem fro contamynacyone of mawmetes, ande fro fornycacione,
 21 ande fro þo suffocate, ande blode. For²² Moyse fro olde
 tymes has in syngulere cytes þat prechen hym iu synagoges,
 22 where he es redde bi iche sabbate. Thanne hit liked vnto²³
 þo apostuls ande to þo elders, wiþ alle þo chirche (or, congregacyone),
 forto chese summe of hem, ande to²⁴ sende vnto²⁵
 Antioche wiþ Poule ande Barnabas; ande þei chesed²⁶ Iudas
 þat was surnamed²⁷ Barsabas, ande Sylam, þo whiche wore þo
 23 firste amonge þo breþer: writande bi þo hende²⁸ of hem, þo
 apostuls ande þo elder breþer to hem þat ben at Antyoche
 ande Sirie ande Cilyce breþer of nacyones, gretes²⁹ wele (or,
 24 jernes³⁰ hele): For þat we haue harde þat³¹ summe of oures
 goande fro vs haues droued³² 3ow wiþ wordes, turnande 3oure

¹ noþur we noþur oure faders S.P.D. ² by þe grace of oure lord iesu crist follows, S.P.D. ³ soþly S.P.D. ⁴ & tellynge S.P.D. ⁵ fol. 112 S.
⁶ myn P. ⁷ to S.P.D. ⁸ visit C. ⁹ vvytyed S.P.D. ¹⁰ om. S.P.D.
¹¹ fol. 47 C. ¹² bylde S.P.D. ¹³ up rere S.P.D. ¹⁴ þe S.P.D.
¹⁵ in cleped S.P.D. ¹⁶ offe nacyons om. S.P.D. ¹⁷ for to S.P.D.
¹⁸ chose S.P.D. ¹⁹ surname S.P. ²⁰ hond S.D. ²¹ lond P. ²² gretynge S.P.D. ²³ desyrynge S.P.D. ²⁴ fol. 112^b S. ²⁵ disturbyd S.D. ²⁶ dysturblyd P.

hertes'; to¹ whom we bade noghte; ande þerfore hit pleased 25
to vs to gader² vs in one ande forto chese men ande sende
vnto³ ȝowe wiþ oure⁴ dere breþer⁵ Poule & Barnaban, þo 26
whiche ben men þat han sette þer lyfes for þo name of oure
Lorde Iesu Criste. Ande⁶ þerfore we sentte vnto⁷ ȝowe 27
Iudas ande Silam, þo whiche also schal telle þo same⁸ vnto⁹
ȝowe, þat¹⁰ hit es sene to þo Holygoste [andē vs]¹¹ no more 28
charge forto¹² lay¹³ vpon¹⁴ ȝowe þanne þise þat ben nedfulle;
þat ȝhe abstene ȝowe fro þinges þat ben offerde vnto maw- 29
metes, ande fro sacrifice of ydolatrie, ande fro blode þat es
suffocate, ande fro fornicacyone; ande þat ȝhe wille noghte
were¹⁵ done vnto¹⁶ ȝowe, dos hit noghte vnto¹⁷ an-*oþer*; ande if
ȝhe kepe ȝowe fro þise, ȝhe schal wele do. Fares wele.
Ande Poule, Barnabas, Iudas ande Syllas wente¹⁸ fro þo 30
apostuls, ande kome vnto¹⁹ Antioche; ande whanne þei haden
gaderd þo²⁰ multitude of²¹ þo disciples, þei toke hem þo
epistel; þo whiche whanne þei haden redde, þei ioied in 31
a grete ioye for þo comforþe þat þei hade. Ande Iudas ande 32
Syllas, for þat þei wore prophetes ande prechors, wiþ myche
spekyngē þei comforþed þo breþer ande confermed hem.
Ande hit bisemed vnto²² Syle to dwelle þore, ande only Iudas 34
wente agayne into Ierusalem. Ande Poule ande Barnabas 35
dwelled atte Antioche, techande ande prechande, wiþ *oþer*
discipuls of Criste, Goddes worde. Ande efter summe²³ days 36
Poule saide vnto²⁴ Barnabas, Turne²⁵ we agayne, ande visite
we oure breþer bi alle þo cytes in þo whiche we han preched
Goddes worde, ande see we how þei hafe hem. Ande 37
Barnabas wolde take Iohn wiþ hem, þo whiche es surnamed
Marchus. Ande Poule preyed Barnaban, þat he þat departed 38
fro hem fro Pamphilye ande wolde noghte go wiþ hem in
warke of þo gospelle, þat he schulde noghte be taken wiþ hem.
Ande so amonge hem was made discencyone, in so myche þat 39

¹ *soulis* S.P. ² *þe whiche we sente (wente P) not* S.P.D. ³ fol. 47^v C.
⁴ *om.* S.P.D. ⁵ *ȝoure* S.P.D. ⁶ *broþer* S.P.D. ⁷ *to* S.P.D. ⁸ *name* P.
⁹ *soply* S.P.D. ¹⁰ S.P.D. ¹¹ *seye* P. *no more charge repeated in the*
margin, 1st corr. S. ¹² *up crossed through, D.* *on* S.P. ¹³ *be crossed*
out, follows, S. ¹⁴ *þ' wente* S.P.D. ¹⁵ *a* S.P.D. ¹⁶ *of þo disciples*
om. S.P.D. ¹⁷ *good to* S.P.D. ¹⁸ fol. 48 C. ¹⁹ fol. 113 B.

pei departed otwynne¹, & Barnabas toke wiþ hym Marchus ande schippide² vnto³ Cipir⁴.

- 40 Ande⁵ Poule toke wiþ hym Sylam ande wente his waye, whanne he was bytaken⁶ vnto⁷ þo grace of God of þo breþer.
- 41 Ande he wente þurghe Sirye ande Cylyce, confermande þo congregacyone of holy chirche, & bade hem þat þei schulde
- 16 1 kepe þo biddynge of þo apostuls ande of þo⁸ eldara. Ande⁹ whanne þei hade gone abowte þise nacyons, he come vnto¹⁰ Derben ande Lystram: ande þer was a disciplul, þat was called¹¹ Tymothe, þat was a trewe wydowe sone; bot his fadir was
- 2 a panyne. To hym berȝ trewe¹² wytnes þoo þat wore in
- 3 Lystris ande Yconye. Hym wolde Poule þat [he]¹³ schulde go with hym; ande he¹⁴ toke hym ande circumcyded hym for þo lewes þat wore in þo places: for alle wiste¹⁵ wele þat hise
- 4 fadir was a gentile (or, a paynyne). Ande as þei passed bi cytes, þei tawghte hem þo techynges þat wore ordeynde of
- 5 þo apostuls, whanne þei wore at Ierusalem. Ande þo chirches wore confermed in þo faise, ande¹⁶ encresced in nowmbur alle¹⁷ 6 daye. & as þei passed þurghe Phrigye ande Galace¹⁸, þei wore
- 7 letted of þo Holygoste to speke Goddes worde in Asye; ande whanne þei wore comen vnto¹⁹ Misy, þei assayde to passe by
- 8 Bethenye; ande þei wore letted bi þo spiritte of Iesu. Ande
- 9 whanne þei passed Misy, þei wente²⁰ vnto²¹ Troyden. Ande in þo nyghte was a visione schewed vnto²² Poule, þat a man of Macidonye stode, ande preyed hym, ande sayde, Go into
- 10 Macedonye, ande helpe vs. Ande onone²³ as he hade sene þis vision, we boghte to go into Macedonye, for we were certayne
- 11 þat God called vs to preche to hem. Ande we schipped from Troade, ande righte course we come vnto²⁴ Samotrache ande
- 12 þo nexte daye to Neapolym; aude fro þeþen²⁵ vnto Philyppis²⁶, þo whiche es þe firste of þo contree of Macedonye, þo cyte of Coleyne²⁷: ande we wore in þis cyte certayn days techande.

¹ atweynne P. ² pide on erasure, C. ³ to S.P.D. ⁴ sequitur epistola follows, C. ⁵ new paragraph with initial, C. ⁶ taken S.P.D. ⁷ om. S.D. ⁸ C^m 16^m in a later hand, in marg., C. initials in S.P.D. ⁹ y^e xvi c^o in a xvith cent. hand, S. ¹⁰ in to S.P.D. ¹¹ cleped S.P.D. ¹² good S.P.D. ¹³ S.P.D. ¹⁴ toke, expunged, follows, C. ¹⁵ fol. 48^b C. ¹⁶ fol. 113^b S. ¹⁷ eche S.P.D. ¹⁸ galacye kyngdom S.P.D. ¹⁹ om. P. ²⁰ euene S.P.D. ²¹ þen S.P.D. ²² to phyppys S.P.D. ²³ Vulg. prima partis Macedonim civitas, colonia.

Ande in þo day of sabbate we wente wipouten þo þhate biside 13
þo flode, where preynge semed forto¹ be; ande þere we sete,
and speke vnto¹ wymmen þat þider come togider. Ande 14
a womman whos name was Lydda², a purpurere of þo cyte
of Thiathire, þo whiche worschipped God, herde vs: whos
herte God opunde, forto¹ biholde vnto¹ þo þinges þat wore
saide of Poule. Ande whanne sche³ was baptised, [ande]⁴ hire 15
howse, she³ preyed, sayande, If þhe deme me trewe vnto God,
enteres into my howse, ande dwelles þere⁵. Ande sche⁶ gartte⁷
va. Ande hit bifelle, whanne we wente forto preye, þat a 16
wenche þat haile a spiritte of a wycche mette vs, þo whiche
gafe grete wyuynge vnto¹ [hire]⁸ lordes by dyuynge.
Sche⁹ folowed Poule ande vs, criande ande sayande, þise men 17
ben þo seruanter of þo highe God, þo whiche schewen to ȝowe
þo waye of hele. þis sche did many days; ande Poule 18
mouruande for hire, he¹⁰ turned hym ande spake¹¹ vnto þo
spiritte, I bidde þe in þo name of Iesu Criste to go oute fro
hire. Ande þo yuel spiritte wente oute of¹² hire in þo same
howre. Ande whanne hire lordes sce, þat þe spiritte of [hire]¹³ 19
was away, þei toke Poule ande Sylam, ande ledde hem forþe
into þo market¹⁴ vnto¹ þo princes, ande schewed hem to þo 20
magistrates, sayande, þise men sturbulen¹⁵ ande deceyue¹⁶
alle oure cytee, for þei ben Iewes, ande þei tellen a maner 21
þat es noghte leffulle to vs to receyue or¹⁷ do, siþen we ben
Romaynes. Ande þo puple ranne agayn hem, ande þo 22
magistrates, [ande]¹⁸ þer¹⁹ cloþes [wore] torne, ande [þei]
comanded hem forto¹ be beten wip ȝerdes. Ande²⁰ whanne 23
þei hade beten hem longe, ande made hem fulle of wondes²¹,
þei put hem in prisoue, ande bade vnto¹ þo kepar of þo
prison þat²² he schulde bestly²³ kepe hem. Ande he, efter 24
þat he was boden²⁴, he putte hem in þo inner prisone, ande
he strayned þer fete in a tree. Bot atte þo²⁵ mydnyghte 25

¹ to S.P.D. ² fol. 49 C. ³ þhe P. ⁴ S.P.D. in C. ⁵ fol. 114 S.
⁶ constreyned S.P.D. ⁷ S.P.D. þer C. ⁸ & S.P.D. ⁹ syde to S.P.D.
¹⁰ fro S.P.D. ¹¹ S.P.D. þeire C. ¹² chepyng S.P.D. ¹³ disturbeþ S.P.D.
¹⁴ ande deceyue om. S.P.D. ¹⁵ noþur S.P.D. ¹⁶ S.P.D. wip C.
¹⁷ þe (here D) cloþis of hem were tore S.P.D. ¹⁸ fol. 49^b C. ¹⁹ of woundis
repeated in marg., 1st corr. S. ²⁰ þo þat C. ²¹ byslyly S.P.D.
²² comawndid þus S.P.D. ²³ om. S.P.D.

Poule ande Silas 'lowtande vnto God loued hym' in alle his sonde, ande þoo þat wore in kepyng in þo prisone harde hem ;
 26 ande sodenly was¹ made a grete erþe-schake, so myche þat þo grownde of þo prisone stired². [& onone wore opun alle
 27 þo dores & alle þer bondes wore lowsed.]³ Ande he⁴ þat kepped þo prisone, [whanne he saw þo ȝhates opun of þo prisone,]⁵ drowe oute a swerde, ande wolde haue slayne hymselfe, supposande þat alle þo prisons wore gone oute.
 28 Ande Poule cried vnto⁶ hym wiþ a grete voyce⁷ ande saide,
 29 Do þe no harme⁸: for we alle ben here. Ande he toke lyghte, ande enterde into þo prisone, ande quakande he felle
 30 downe to þe fete of Poule ande Silas ; ande he⁹ broghte hem forþe ande saide, Leue lordes, whatte bihoues me forto¹⁰ do
 31 þat I myghte be saufe ? Ande þei saide vnto¹¹ hym, Trowe in oure Lorde Iesu, ande þow schal be saufe ande al þi howse.
 32 Ande þei preched vnto¹² hym þo worde of God ande to alle þat
 33 wore in his howse. Ande þo kepar of þo prisone toke hem in þo same houre of þo nyghte, ande wesche¹³ þer wondes ; ande onone he was baptised, ande alle¹⁴ hise howse also.
 34 Ande efter þat he hade broghte hem into hise howse, he sette a¹⁵ borde to hem, ande he¹⁶ was gladed wiþ alle [his]¹⁷ house, ȝetrowande to God. Ande whanne daye¹⁸ was comen þo magistrates sente baylys (or, bedels), sayande¹⁹, Late þoo men goo. & þo kepar of þo prisone tolde þis vnto²⁰ Poule, þat
 36 þo magistrates han sende þat ȝe ben laten go : ande þerfore
 37 gos nowe forþe in pees. Ande Poule saide to hem, þei hauen beten vs²¹ vnrightly ande vndampned²², ande we ben men of Rome [þat þei haue putte in prisone]²³, ande²⁴ priuely þei
 38 putte vs oute ; noghte so, bot come þei hemselfe²⁵ ande putte þei vs oute. Ande þo bedels (or, þo baylyes)²⁶ tolde þise wordes to þo magistrates : ande þo²⁷ magistrates, whanne
 39 þei harden þat þei wore Romaynes, dredde hem ; ande come

¹⁻¹ honoured & preysed god S.P.D. ² fol. 114^b S. ³ quote S.P.

⁴ S.P.D. ⁵ om. S.P. ⁶ to S.P.D. ⁷ a leaf missing in D, chapp. xvi. 28—xvii. 6. ⁸ noon arme P. ⁹ om. P. ¹⁰ to S.P.

¹¹ wosche S. ¹² fol. 50 C. ¹³ his S. at his P. ¹⁴ þe day S. þat d. P ; erasure of 4 letters before daye, C. ¹⁵ s. þat P. ¹⁶ om. P. to S.

¹⁷⁻¹⁷ opynlyche & indempnyd S.P. ¹⁸ S.P. ¹⁹ ande now S.P. ²⁰ fol. 115 S. ²¹ gloss om. S.P. ²² om. S.

vnto¹ hem ande preȳde hem þat þei schulde go oute of þo cyte. Ande þei outegoande of þo prisone þei enterde into 40 Lyddam: ande whanne þei sawe þo² breþer, þei tolde hem whatte God hade done wip hem, ande comforþed þo breþer ande wente on³ þer way.

Ande⁴ whanne þei hade gone bi Amphibolym ande: 17 Appollonye, þei come to Thessalony, were a synagoga of Iewes was: ande Poule, as he was wonte, enterde vnto¹ þem, 2 ande by þre sabbates he preched to hem of holy scriptures, declarande ande shewande, þat hit bihoued Criste to suffur 3 ande to rise fro þo deþe; ande þat he þis es⁴ Iesus⁵ whom I schewe vnto⁶ ȳowe. Ande summe of hem [trowed]⁷, ande 4 wore ioyned vnto⁸ Poule ande to Syllas; ande also of þo gentyles grete multitude, ande many⁹ noubul wymmen. Ande summe of þo enuyous Iewes token summe ille¹⁰ men 5 of þo¹¹ puple, ande gadured a grete companye, ande stired¹² þo cyte agayne þo apostula, ande wente vnto¹ þo house of Iason forto brynge hem forþe vnto¹ þo puple. Ande 6 whanne þei fonde noghte hem, þei drowe Iason ande summe breþer vnto¹ þo princes of þo cite, criande ande sayande, þise ben þei þat stiren¹³ alle þo worlde "ande hider þei come"¹⁴; ande¹⁵ he þis Iasone receyued hem: ande alle þise done 7 agayne þo ordynawnce of þo¹⁷ Cesar, ande sayne þat þer es an- oþer kenge þat highte Iesu. Ande þei stired gretely þo puple 8 ande þo princes of¹⁸ þo cites þat harde þise þinge. Ande 9 whanne Iason ande oþer hade made satisfaccyon (or, excusinge) to þo princes of þo cyte, þei lete hem go. Ande þo 10 breþer [on]one¹⁹ in þo nyghte lete²⁰ Poule ande Syllam into Ber[o]lam²¹; ande whanne þei wore comen þider, þei enterde into þo synagoge of þo Iewes. Ande þise men of Beroam 11

¹ to S.P. ² þer S. her P. ³ oute S.P. ⁴ C^m 17 in marg. in a later hand, C. xrii c. in a xvith century hand, S. ⁵ above the line, 1st corr. S. ⁶ iesu crist P. crist in marg. 1st corr. S. ⁷ fol. 50^b C. to S.P. ⁸ S.P. ioyned C. ⁹ after vnto erasure of circa 3 letters, C. to S.P. ¹⁰ & many twice, S.P. ¹¹ yuel S.P. ¹² erasure of about 5 letters follows, C. ¹³ meuyd S.P. ¹⁴ meueþ S.P. ¹⁵⁻¹⁶ om. S.P. ¹⁶ D. begins here. ¹⁷ expunged S. om. P. ¹⁸ fol. 115^b S. ¹⁹ anone S.P.D. ²⁰ lede P. lede with d on erasure, S. ²¹ S.P.D. berlam C. beroam tessalonye repeated in marg. 1st corr. S.

wore þo moste noubul of þoo þat ben atte Thessalonye, þo
 whiche toke Goddes worde wiþ grete desire, iche daye
 ransakande þo holy scriptures, wheþer hit wore so as hit was
 12 preched to hem. Ande many trowed of hem; ande grete
 multitude also¹ of honeste wymmen þat were gentyles (þat
 es, of þo nacyones þat wore called² gentyles)³, ande many
 13 men also. Ande whanne þo Iewes þat wore in Thessalony
 knewe þat Goddes worde was preched in Beroam of Poule,
 þei come þider 'ande stirde ande stourebulde' myche of þo
 14 puple. Ande onone þo breþer lefte Poule, þat he myghte goo
 15 vnto⁴ þo see: and Syle ande Tymothe dwelled þer. Ande
 þo breþer þat wente wiþ Poule þei broghte hym to Athenys;
 ande he bade hem þat als sone as þei come to Syle ande
 Tymothe þat þei schulde saye hem hastely to come to h[y]m⁵.
 16 Ande Poule whileste⁶ he abode hem in Athenys, his spiritte
 was gretely stired in hym, for he sawe þat þo cytee was gifen
 17 to ydolatrie. Ande he disputed in þo synagoge wiþ þo Iewes
 ande þo dwellande⁷, in þo market, by alle þo days, to hem
 18 'þat wore neghe'. Ande⁸ summe Epichurens ande Stoycens⁹
 ande philysofers disputed wiþ hym. Ande summe saide,
 What wole he þis sower of wordes saye? ande oþer saide,
 Hit bisemes þat¹⁰ he es a schewar of newe fendes: ande þis
 þei saide for he schewed vnto¹¹ hem Iesu ande þo¹² resur-
 19 reccyone. & þei toke hym, ande ledde hym to þo Ariopage
 (þat es, to a strete of Athenys, where þo¹³ philisofers studied),
 ande þei saide, Maye we knowe þis newe doctrine þat þow
 20 spekes of? Newe þinges þow bringes in oure eres, ande
 21 þerfore wole we knowe what þei may be. Ande þo men of
 Athenys & oþer comelynges þat dwelled þer, gafe þer
 entente¹⁴ vnto¹⁵ noghte elles bot forto say or forto¹⁶ here
 22 summe newe þinge. Ande Poule stode vppe in myddes¹⁷
 of þat towne¹⁸ (or, strete), ande saide, þhe men Atthenyenses,

¹ fol. 51 C. ² cleped S.P.D. ³ gloss underlined, S.P. ⁴⁻⁵ meuyng
 & sturblyng S.P. ⁶ to S.P. ⁷ S.P.D. hem C. ⁸ whyles S.P.
⁹ þo dwellande om. P. ¹⁰ þat þer were P. ¹¹ herde D, with herde crossed
 through and þer were in marg. 1st corr. S. ¹² & soþly P, with soþly in
 marg. 1st corr. S. ¹³ scoty P. ¹⁴ fol. 116 S. ¹⁵ om. P. ¹⁶ fol. 51^b C.
¹⁷ tente S.P.D. ¹⁸ to S.P.D. ¹⁹ myddyl S.P. ²⁰ towne or om. S.P.D.

hit biemes vnto¹ me þat 3he ben in alle þinges as super-
 sticyouse men (þat es, as men of vayne relygion, or elles, gisen
 to myche vnto¹ vayne þinges). For I haue passed ande sene² 23
 youre mawmetes, & I fonde an auter in þo whiche were³ writen
 þise wordes, To þe vnknowne god. Ande þerfore þat 3he
 worschipe vnknowande, þat schewe⁴ I vnto 3owe. þo⁵ God 24
 þat made þo worlde ande alle þinges þat ben in þo worlde⁶,
 he⁷ siþen he es Lorde⁸ of heuen ande erþe, he wonnes noghte⁹
 in temples made wiþ hende¹⁰; nor¹¹ he es worschipped wiþ 25
 mennes hende for þat he has nede of any þinge þat man doo,
 siþen he gifes vnto¹ alle¹² life, ande wynde, & inspiringe, ande
 alle oþer þinges; ande of one þinge¹³ he maket alle mankynde 26
 forto inhabyte on alle þo face of þe erthe, ordeynande¹⁴ cer-
 tayne tymes ande termes¹⁵ (or, endes) of þer habitacyone; forto 27
 seche þer God, If in aunter þei may drawe¹⁶ hym to hem, or
 fynde hym, þose he be noghte ferre fro icheone of vs: for in 28
 hym we life, ande in hym we stire¹⁷, ande in hym we ben;
 as summe of youre poetes has sayde, Ande we ben also hise
 kynne. Ande siþen we ben þo kynne of God, vs owe noghte 29
 to suppose þat þat purtenes vnto God es lyke to golde, ande
 syluer, or to stone of þo crafte of grauyng, ande þat comes of
 mannes þenkyng¹⁸ ande of mannes hondewarke¹⁹. Ande²⁰ 30
 God þat despices þo tymes of þis ignorawnce, nowe he schewes
 to men þat icheone, whersoever²¹ þei be, do penaunce: for 31
 þat he has ordeynde a daye, in þo whiche he schal deme alle þo
 worlde in euenhede, gifande faipe vnto¹ alle in a man þat he
 rayset²² fro²³ deþe. Ande whanue þei harde þo resurreccione 32
 [of dede men]²⁴, summe scorned hym; ande summe saide, We
 schal here þe este of þis. Ande so Poule wente fro þo 33
 myddes²⁵ of hem. Ande summe wente wiþ Poule, ande 34
 trowed vnto¹ hym: in whom²⁶ was Dyonyse þo mayster of þo

¹ to S.P.D.² seyng S.P.D.³ was S.P.D.⁴ y schewe P.⁵ om. S.P.D.⁶ heere follows, D, crossed through, S.⁷ he is lord

twice, S.P.D.

⁸ in marg. later hand, S.⁹ honde S.P.D.¹⁰ noþer S.P.D.¹¹ erasure of 2 letters follows, C.¹² crossed through, S. om. P.¹³ fol. 52 C.¹⁴ termy S.P.¹⁵ fol. 116^b S.¹⁶ meue S.P.D.¹⁷ þinkyng P.D.¹⁸ be lyke to follows, P, in marg. 1st corr. S.¹⁹ erased S. om. P.²⁰ euer om. S.P.D.²¹ reryd S.P.D.²² fro þe S.P.D.²³ S.P.D.²⁴ myddyl S.P.D.²⁵ whiche S.P.D.

philysophers, ande a womman þat was called¹ Damarise, ande many² oþer wiþ hem³.

- 18 1 After⁴ þise Powle wente fro Athenys, ande come vnto⁵
 2 Corynthus. Ande þer he sonde a Iewe, ande hise name was
 Aquila, þat late come fro Ytalye wiþ Priscille⁶ his wife, for
 Claudynes⁷ hade biden⁸ þat alle þe Iewes schulde goo oute
 3 of Rome: ande vnto⁹ hem he¹⁰ wente; ande for he was offe
 þo same crafte þat þei wore of, he dwelled wiþ hem ande
 wroughte; ande þei were of þo crafte of makynge of tabernacles
 4 (or, of cordes ande ropes). Ande he disputed in þo synagoge
 in iche sabbote¹¹, ande euermore in his saynge he mended
 ande sette¹² þo name of Iesu, ande he ammonested þe Iewes
 5 ande þo Grekes. Ande whanne Syllas ande Tymothe weren
 comen fro Macedonye, Poule was besy in prechinge, berande
 6 wytnes vnto¹³ þo Iewes þat Iesu Criste was. Ande whanne
 þo Iewes agaynsaide Poule wordes [&]¹⁴ blasphemed¹⁵, he
 schoke his cloþes ande saide, ȝoure blode be vpon¹⁶ ȝoure
 heued¹⁷, for I am clene of þis: I schal go to þo naciones.
 7 Ande he wente fro þen¹⁸, ande enterde into þo house of one
 þat was called¹⁹ Tytus, þo whiche was rightwise ande worschip-
 pande God. Ande his howse was ioyned vnto²⁰ þo synagoge.
 8 Ande Crispus, þat was maister of þo synagoge, trowed vnto²¹
 God wiþ alle hise howse; ande many of þo²² men of Corynthe
 9 þat harde Poule trowed, ande wore baptized. Ande God
 saide²³ by a visione in þo nyghte vnto²⁴ Poule, Drede noghte,
 10 bot speke, ande be noghte stille; for-whi I am wiþ þe, ande
 none²⁵ schal be putte to þe þat schal noye þe: for myche
 11 folke es to me ande myne in þis cyte. Ande Poule sete þer
 a ȝhere ande sexe monethes, techande amonge hem þo worde
 12 of God. Ande whanne Gallio was þe proconsul of Achaye,
 þo Iewes ros wiþ one hertte agaynes Poule, ande ledde hym
 13 to²⁶ þo sete of þo domes-man, sayande, þat he þis agaynes

¹ cleped S.P.D. ² om. S.P.D. ³ Epistola follows, C. ⁴ C^m 18^m
 in a later hand, C. *The xviii chapter* in a xvith cent. hand, S. ⁵ to S.P.D.
⁶ pryschest P. ⁷ claudius S.P.D. ⁸ boden S.P.D. ⁹ in marg., C.
¹⁰ halyday S.P.D. ¹¹ fol. 117 S. ¹² S.P.D. ¹³ on S.P.D.
¹⁴ heuedes S.P. ¹⁵ þen S.P. ¹⁶ fol. 53 C. to S.P.D. ¹⁷ of þo om. S.P.
 þo om. D. ¹⁸ god seyde repeated in marg. 1st corr. S. ¹⁹ no þing S.P.D.
²⁰ in to S.P.

þo lawe teches men to worschippe God. Ande as Poule ¹⁴
 biganne to opun his mouþe to speke, Gallyo saide vnto¹ þo²
 Iewes, 3he men, Iewes, if hit wore any wikked þinge or grette
 mysdede, rightly³ schulde I susteyne (or, suffere) þowe. Bot ¹⁵
 if hit be bot questions of þo worde ande names of þours lawe,
 auyse þours-seluen, for I wole noghte be iuge of þise⁴. Ande ¹⁶
 he made hem go⁵ from hise demyng-place. Ande þo Iewes ¹⁷
 token one Sostynen, þat was prince of þo synagoge, ande þei
 smote hym bifore hise sete of dome. Ande Gallyo roghte⁶
 noghte þeroffe, (ande⁷ toke no kepe þeroffe.) Ande Poule ¹⁸
 [soply þat 3it suffrede many daies]⁸ made his haylsinge to
 þo⁹ breþer, ande schipped vnto¹ Sirye, & wiþ hym 3ode
 Priscille ande Aquila, þo whiche Priscille hade dodded his
 heued; for so hade he vowed. Ande Poule come vnto¹ ¹⁹
 Ephesum, ande lefte hem þers; ande he enterde into þo
 synagoge ande disputed wiþ þo Iewes. Ande þo disciples ²⁰
 preyde þat he lenger tyme schulde dwelle. Bot he assented
 noghte, bote bade hem fare wele, ande saide, Este I schal ²¹
 come to 3ow, if God wole. Ande so he wente fro Ephesum.
 Ande goande to Cesarye, he haylsed¹⁰ þo chirche þat þore was, ²²
 ande so he wente¹¹ vnto¹ Antioche. Ande whanne he hade ²³
 ben þore a certayne tyme, he 3ode his waye, ande wente by
 ordure þurgh þo contree of Galace ande Phrigye, confermande
 alle þo discipuls. & a Iewe whos name was Apollo, of ²⁴
 Alexander borne, an eloquente man ande conynge¹² scriptures,
 come vnto¹ Ephesum. He þis was tawghte þo waye of God; ²⁵
 ande he was feruente in spiritte, ande teched besily þinges
 þat wore of Iesu Criste; ande onely he knewe þo bapteme
 of Ioon. He¹³ þis biganne tristely¹⁴ to do¹⁵ in þo synagoge. ²⁶
 Ande whanne Priscille ande Aquyla harde hym, þei toke
 hym vnto¹ hem, ande¹⁶ besily expowned to hym þo waye
 of God. Ande whanne he wolde¹⁷ go vnto¹ Achaye, þo breþer ²⁷
 wrote vnto¹⁸ þo discipuls, þat þei schulde receyue hym: ande

¹ to S.P.D. ² om. S.D. ³ fol. 117^b S. ⁴ þis wordes S.P.D.

⁵ on erasure in different ink, C. ⁶ fol. 53^b C. þou3t D. r on erasure, S.

⁷ or S.P.D. ⁸ S.P.D. ⁹ & toke his leue (lyue D) at his S.P.D.

¹⁰ blessed S.P.D. ¹¹ 3ede S.P.D. ¹² in follows, S.P.D. ¹³ & he S.P.

¹⁴ fol. 118 S. ¹⁵ trustely to do twice, P. ¹⁶ fol. 54 C. ¹⁷ þei wolden P.

¹⁸ om. S.P.D.

whanne he come pider, he gafe ande speke myche vnto¹ hem
 28 þat trowed; ande gretely he ouercome þo Iewes, opunly
 schewande bi scriptures þat Iesu Criste was.

- 19¹ Ande² hit bifelle, whanne Apollo was at Corynthy, þat
 Poule hade gone þo ouer contrees, ande koune vnto³ Ephesum;
 2 ande he fonde summe of þo disciples, ande saide vnto⁴ hem,
 If ȝhe⁵ haue taken þo Holygoste trowande? Ande þei sayde
 to hym, Bot we haue noghte harde if⁶ þo Holygoste ea.
 3 Ande Poule saide, In whom þanne ben ȝhe baptised? Ande
 4 þei saiden, In þo bapteme of Iohn. Poule saide, Iohn
 baptised in bapteme of penaunce þo þupul, techande, þat
 þei schulde trowe in hym þat was to come efter hym, þat es,
 5 in Iesu. Ande whanne þei hade harde þis, þei wore baptised
 6 in þo name of oure Lorde Iesu Criste. Ande whanne Poule
 hade laide on hem hise hende⁷, þo Holygoste come vpon⁸ hem;
 7 ande þei speke wiþ tunges ande prophecyed. Ande alle þo
 8 men wore nerehande⁹ twelue. Ande Poule entered into þo
 synagoge, ande tristely he speke by þree monythis, disputande
 9 ande techande of þo kengdome of God. Ande¹⁰ for summe
 were indurate ande wolde noghte trowe, varyande¹¹ þo way
 of God bifore þo multitude, he, goande fro hem, departed
 þo discipuls, disputande iche daye in þo scole of a tyraunte
 10 fro þo houre of sexte¹² to þo houre of tenne. Ande þis be
 dide bi twoo ȝere; in so myche þat men þat wonned in Asye
 11 harde þo worde of God, boþe þo Iewes ande gentiles. Ande
 12 many vertewes did God by þo hende¹³ of Poule: in so myche
 þat men broghten sudaries [ande]¹⁴ girdels from hise body, ande
 layde hem vpon¹⁵ þo seke, ande þe sekenes wente fro hem,
 13 ande þo wikked spirittes wente oute of men¹⁶. Ande summe
 of þo exorcistes of þo Iewes þat wente aboute, assayde forto
 calle þo name of Iesu vpon¹⁷ hem þat hade yuel spirittes, &
 14 saide, We couiure ȝowe bi Iesu whom Poule prechea. Ande
 þer wore in a house of a Iewe, þat was prince of prestes, seuen
 15 sones þat diden þis. Ande þo wikked spiritte¹⁸ ausuerande

¹ to S.P.D. ² C^m 19^m in later hand, on erasure, C. The six c^o in xvi^a
 cent. hand, S. ³ we P. ⁴ om. S.P.D. ⁵ honde S.P.D. ⁶ on S.P.D.
⁷ ny honde S.P.D. ⁸ fol. 54^b C. ⁹ cursynge S.P.D. ¹⁰ þe sixþe S.P.D.
¹¹ S.P.D. ¹² hem S.P. ¹³ wicked spiritte repeated in marg. 1st corr. S.

saide, Iesu I knewe, ande Poule I knowe¹; bot who² ben
 zhe? Ande þo man in whom þo³ sende was lepe to hem, 16
 ande he⁴ hade maisterschippe of boþe, ande was myghtye
 agayne, in so myche þat wonded ande naked þei fledde fro
 þo⁵ house. Ande þis was made knowne vnto⁶ alle þe Iewes 17
 ande gentiles þat dwelled atte Ephesy; ande grete drede felle
 vpon⁷ alle hem, ande⁸ þei loued þo name of oure Lorde Iesu.
 & many of þo trowande⁹ come, schriuande, ande schewande 18
 þer dedes. Ande many also¹⁰ þat¹¹ vsed curiosities broghte þer 19
 bokes, ande brente hem bifore alle: ande whanne þei hade
 acownted þo price of hem, þei forde money of fifty thowsande
 penyes (þat es, so myche wore þei worþe in price). Ande so 20
 wexe þo worde of God ande was confermed. Ande whan þise 21
 wore ended, Poule purposed in spiritte to go vnto¹² Macedonye
 ande Achaye¹³, ande so forto goo vnto¹⁴ Ierusalem, ande saide
 to hymselfen, þat efter þat I haue ben þore, me bihoues
 to see Rome. Ande he¹⁵ sende two of þoo þat mynisterde 22
 unto¹⁶ hym, Tymothe ande Eraste, into Macedonye, ande he
 dwelled vnto¹⁷ a certayne tyme in Asye. Ande in þat tyme 23
 was grete turbacione of þo waye of God. For one, whos 24
 name¹⁸ was Demetrye, þat was a siluer-maker, ande made þo
 thabernacles of þo goddes¹⁹ Dyane of syluer, he gafe vnto²⁰ þo
 warke-men grete money, ande called²¹ hem togider, ande 25
 saide vnto²² hem þat wore of þat²³ crafte, 3e men, zhe wyten
 wele þat of þis crafte es oure getyng ande lyuyng. Ande 26
 zhe seen ande heren, þat noghte onely at Ephesum, bot also
 alle þo multitude of Asye, he þis Poule bi his techinges haues
 turned, ande teches, þat þoo ben noghte goddes þat ben made
 wip hende²⁴: ande noghte onely²⁵ schal oure crafte perische 27
 ande be in reprove to vs; bot also þo temple of þo grete
 Dyane, oure goddes, schal be destroyed ande broghte to
 noghte, ande hire mageste schal be vndone, þo whiche alle
 Asie ande alle þo worlde worschippes. Ande whanne þise 28

¹ knewe S.P.D. ² what S.P.D. ³ þe wicked S.P.D. ⁴ om. P.
⁵ þ S.P.D. ⁶ to S.P.D. ⁷ on S.P.D. ⁸ fol. 55 C. ⁹ þat troweden
 S.P.D. ¹⁰ om. S.P.D. ¹¹ þ byfore S.P.D. ¹² by S.P.D. ¹³ fol. 119 S.
¹⁴ d in the margin, S. ¹⁵ þe goddesse repeated in the marg. 1st corr. S.
¹⁶ cleped S.P.D. ¹⁷ þe P. ¹⁸ honde S.P.D. ¹⁹ fol. 55^b C.

wordes woren harde, þei wore fulfilled¹ wip² ire, ande þei
 29 cryed, sayande, þo grete Dyane of Ephesye. Ande þo cyte
 was fulfilled wip confusione: ande wip one hertte þei made
 an hastines into þo spectacle; ande þore þei toke Gaye ande
 30 Aristarke, men of Macedonye, þo felowes of Poule. Ande
 Poule wolde haue gone into þo puple, ande þo discipuls wolde
 31 noghte suffure hym go³. Ande summe of þo princes of Asye,
 þat wore hise frendes, sente vnto⁴ hym⁵ ande preyed hym⁶ þat
 32 he schulde [not]⁷ sytte atte þo spectacle. Ande summe cried
 ande saide oþerwise; ande þo chirche was confused⁸, ande
 many wiste noghte for whatte cause þei wore comen togider.
 33 Ande þei wipdrowe Alexander fro þo company, þe Iewes
 puttande hym forþe. Ande Alexander made token of cylerce
 wip hise honde, in wille forto⁹ schewe hise skille to þo puple.
 34 Ande onone as þei knewe þat he was a Iewe, onone was bot¹⁰
 as one voice of alle, fully two houres cryande, þo grete Dyane
 35 of Ephesye. Ande whanne þe scribe¹¹ hade stilled þo com-
 panyse¹², he saide, 3he men of Ephesie, whatte man es þat
 þat knowes noghte þo cytee of Ephesie worschippar of þo
 36 grete Diane, ande of Iouys hire childe? Ande siþen none
 may agaynesay þis, hit bihoues 3owe to be stille, ande to do
 37 no þinge folily. For 3e han broghte hider þise men, þat
 noþer are fownden¹³ giltye, nor blasphemares¹⁴ of 3oure goddes.
 38 Bot if Demetrys, ande þo warke-men þat ben wip hym,
 haue any cause agaynes any, gider hein wipoute-forþe¹⁵; ande
 þer¹⁶ ben proconsuls, late hem accuse þem togider bifore
 39 hem. Ande if any oþer þinge be þat 3he¹⁷ asche, in þo lawful
 40 chirche hit may be assoyled. Ande we ben in perele to be
 reprehendid of þo sedicione of þis daye, siþen þere es none
 blame-worþi, of whom we may gife skille (or¹⁸, wyte) of þis con-
 course. Ande whanne he hade saide þis, he lefte þo chirche.¹⁹
 20 : Ande²⁰ efter þo grete noyse was stilled, Poule called²¹ þo
 discipuls, ande ammonested hem, ande bade hem fare wele;

¹ fyllyd S.D.² in S.P.D.³ to goo S.P.D.⁴ to S.P.D.⁵⁻⁶ om. S.P.D.⁶ S.P.D.⁷ fol. 119^b S.⁸ it S.P.D.⁹ fol. 56 C.¹⁰ companye S.P.D.¹¹ foule S.P.D.¹² blasphemys S.P.D.¹³ Cf. *Vulg.* conventus forenses aguntur.¹⁴ om. S.P.D.¹⁵ he P.¹⁶ of P.¹⁷ epistola follows, C.¹⁸ C^m 20^m in a later hand, in marg. C. the xx c^o in a xvith cent. hand, S.¹⁹ cleped S.P.D.

ande he wente forþe forto go to Macedonye. Ande whanne ² he hade gone þo¹ contrees, ande hade ammoneste hem wiþ myche gostly speche³, he come vnto⁴ Grece, where⁵, whan he ³ hade ben þree monythes ande schulde hafe schipped into Cyrie, þo lewes wayted hym⁶; ande he hade counseile of⁷ summe⁸ to⁹ turne agayne by Macedonye. Ande wiþ hym ⁴ felyschipte Sosy⁹, þo fadire of Pirry of Beroens, ande of men offe Thessalonye Aristarcus, ande Secunde, ande Gayus, ande Derbecus, & Tymothe; ande of men of Asye, Titicus ande Trophimus. Þise wente bifore, ande abode atte Troade. ⁵ Ande we schipped efter þoo days of aȝym from Philippia, ande ⁶ we come vnto¹⁰ hem to¹¹ Troade in fyue days; ande þere we dwelled seuen days. Ande in one days of þo sabbote, whanne ⁷ we come forto¹² breke brede, Poule disputed wiþ hem. Ande for þat he schulde go forþe in þo morneyng, he drowe olonge hise worde vnto þo¹³ mydnyghte; ande many laumpes wore ⁸ in þo cynacle¹⁴, where we were gadired. Ande a jenge man, ⁹ whos name was Eutyce, sete abouen vpon¹⁵ þo wyndowe. Ande whanne Poule [hade]¹⁶ longe disputed, ande he was in heuy slepe, he¹⁷ felle fro þo thridde cenakil downe, ande was borne vppe ande broghte deade. Ande whanne Poule come ¹⁰ vnto¹⁸ hym, he laye vpon¹⁹ hym, ¹¹ ande he clipped hym²⁰, ande saide, Bes¹⁷ noghte droued²¹; for his sowle es in hym. Ande ¹¹ þanne Poule ȝede, ande breke brede ande ete; ande whan he hade ynowghe spoken, vnto þo day was comen, so he wente forþe hise waye. Ande þo¹² men þat were þer broghte þo ¹² childe Eutyce²² lifande, ande þei wore gretely comforþed. Ande we wente into²³ a¹¹ schippe ande schipped into Asson, ¹³ for þer schulde we fynde Poule: for so ordeyned he, forto make hise way bi þo londe. Ande whanne he fonde ¹⁴ vs, ¹⁴ alsone²⁴ fro þepen²⁵ he²⁶ wente vnto²⁷ Mitylene. Ande fro ¹⁵

¹ om. D. þylke in marg. 1st corr. S. þylke P. ² spekyng S.P.D.
³ to S.P.D. ⁴ fol. 120 S. ⁵ fol. 56^b C. ⁶ between of and to
 erasure with some illegible letters in a later hand, C. ⁷ in marg. C.
⁸ þat he schulde S.P.D. ⁹ sofy P. Vulg. Sopater Pyrrhi Beroensia.
¹⁰ of S.P.D. ¹¹ om. S.P.D. ¹² senake S.P. ¹³ on S.P.D. ¹⁴ S.P.D.
¹⁵ & he S.P.D. ¹⁶⁻¹⁸ om. S.P.D. ¹⁷ be ȝe S.P.D. ¹⁸ troubyld S.P.D.
¹⁹ fol. 57 C. ²⁰ in S.P.D. ²¹ in asson S.P.D. ²² þeyn S.P. þen D.
²³ we S.P.D.

þeþen¹ we schipped, ande² þe nexte daye we come to³
 Contrachye⁴; ande þo toþer daye we hauende at Samum;
 16 & in þo toþer daye we comen vnto⁵ Milete. For Poule
 purposed forto ouerschippe Ephesum, þat he schulde noghte
 be taried⁶ in Asye. For he hastud, þat, if hit wore possibul,
 he myghte make þo day of Pentecoste atte Ierusalem.
 17 Ande fro Milete he sente vnto⁷ Ephesum, ande he clepud þo
 18 moste worpi of þo chirche. Ande whanne þei were comen
 vnto⁸ hym, ande þei ande he wore togider, he saide vnto⁹
 hem, 3he knowe how I hafe ben wiþ 3owe in alle tyme¹⁰, fro
 19 þe firste daye in þo whiche I enterde into Asye, ande how
 I haue serued to God in alle mekenes, ande myldnes, & teres,
 ande temptaciones þat han fallen vnto¹¹ me of þo waytynges
 20 of þo Iewes: ande how I haue noghte wiþdrawne fro 3owe
 any profitabul þinge þat ne¹² I haue schewed vnto¹³ 3owe,
 21 ande tawghte 3owe opunly & bi 3oure howses, wytnesande to
 þo Iewes [ande þo folke]¹⁴ into God penaunce, ande saiþe into
 22 oure Lorde Iesu Criste¹⁵. Ande lo¹⁶, I, þat am nowe bownden
 in spiritte, go into Ierusalem, noghte knowande what schal
 23 bifalle to me in hit, bot þat þo Holygoste wytnes to me
 be alle þo cytes, sayande¹⁷, þat bondes ande tribulaciones
 24 abiden me in Ierusalem. Bot I drede no þinge of þise, nor I
 make my life more preciouise þanne meselfe, whileste¹⁸ þat
 I ende my course ande mynistrynge of þo worde, þat I haue
 taken of oure Lorde Iesu Criste, forto¹⁹ wytnes þo gospelle of
 25 þo grace of God. Ande lo, nowe I wote þat 3he schal nomore
 see my face, 3he alle, bi whom I haue passed ande preched þo
 26 kengedame of God. Ande þerfore I wytnes 3owe þis daye,
 27 þat I am clene fro þo blode of 3owe alle. Forwhi I haue
 noghte letted, þat ne²⁰ I haue schewed alle þo counseyle of God
 28 to 3owe. Takes kepe þerfore vnto²¹ 3oure-seluen ande to alle
 þo flokke, in þo whiche flokke þo Holygoste haues sette 3owe
 bischoppes, forto guerne his chirche, þe whiche he boghte
 29 bi hise owne blode. For I wote þat efter my disses schal

¹ þeyn S.P. þen D. ² in S.P.D. ³ fol. 120^b S. ⁴ Fulg. contra
 Chium. ⁵ to S.P.D. ⁶ trayed S.P. ⁷ tymes S.P. ⁸ I ne S.P.D.
⁹ fol. 57^b C. to S.P.D. ¹⁰ S.P.D. ¹¹ om. S.P.D. ¹² also P.
¹³ wytnessyng to me precedes, S.P.D. ¹⁴ whylys S.P.D. ¹⁵ fol. 121 S.

enter rauischande wolues¹ amonge² zowe, ande schal noghte³ spare vnto⁴ þo flokke of God; ande of youre-seluen schal rise 30 men, spekande mys[turned]⁵ þinges, þat þei may lede disciples efter hem. Wharfore bes ware ande⁶ waker, ande holdes in 31 mynde þat bi thre yere nyghte ande daye I cessed noghte wiþ teeres monestande icheone⁷ of zowe. Ande nowe I komaunde 32 zowe vnto⁸ God, ande to þe worde of his grace, þo whiche es myghty to edifye, ande forto gife heritage in alle hise halowes⁹. Siluer¹⁰, nor¹¹ golde, or cloþe ¹²þat youre was, I 33 haue noghte yernede, zhe wote wele: forwhi þat was nede to 34 me ande vnto þoo þat wers wiþ me, þise hende han mynisterde¹³. Alle I haue¹⁴ schewed vnto¹⁵ zowe, ¹⁶þat þoo þat þus 35 traueylen hit bihoues to receyue þo infirme (or, þo febul), ande also forto þenke on¹⁷ þo worde of oure Lorde Iesu, þo whiche¹⁸ he saide, þat hit es more blessed to¹⁹ gife þanne forto²⁰ take. Ande whanne he hade saide alle²¹ þise, he 36 kneled ande preyed wiþ hem alle. Ande alle made a grete 37 wepinge, ande þei felle vpon²² hise nekke²³, ande kissed hym, sorowande moste²⁴ for þo worde þat he saide, þat þei schulde 38 noghte see more his face. Ande þe[i]²⁵ broghte hym vnto²⁶ þo schippe.

Ande²⁷ whanne we schipped ande were wiþdrawen²⁸ fro: 21 þer eyghne, righte course we come vnto²⁹ Choum, ande þe nexte daye vnto³⁰ Rodum, ande fro þepen³¹ to Patharam: ande 2 whanne we haden fownden þere a schippe þat wolde go into Fenyce, we wente into þat schippe. Ande whanne we 3 appered vnto³² Ciper, we lefte hit vpon³³ þo lefte honde, ande schipped into Sirie, ande we come vnto³⁴ Tyre; for þer schulde oure schippe be discharged. Ande þere, whanne we fonde 4 discipuls, we dwelled þere seuen dais: þo whiche discipuls

¹ wolues repeated in marg. 1st corr. S. ² in to S.P.D. ³ fol. 58 G.
⁴ to S.P.D. ⁵ S.P.D. ⁶ ware ande om. S.P. ⁷ eche S.P.
⁸ halryd S.P.D. ⁹ But syluer S.P.D. ¹⁰ & S.P.D. ¹¹⁻¹² of noone of
 þow coueytyd I, as ze self wyten, for to nede of þinges þat I had & to hem
 þat weryn wiþ me mynstredon þese hondys S.P.D. ¹³ alle þese þinges haue I
 S.P.D. ¹⁴⁻¹⁵ for men þat traueylen þus moten take seke men & haue mynde of
 S.P.D. ¹⁶ for S.P.D. ¹⁷ more to S.P.D. ¹⁸ om. S.P.D. ¹⁹ on S.P.D.
²⁰ nekke of poule S.P.D. ²¹ fol. 121^b S. ²² C^m 21^m in a later hand in
 the margin, C. xxi^c in a xvith century hand, S. ²³ fol. 58^b G.
²⁴ þen S.P.D.

saide to Poule bi spiritte, þat he schulde noghte go to
 5 Ierusalem. Ande whanne þo seuen dais wore gone, we wente
 forþe; ande alle þo discipuls, wiþ þer wyues ande childer,
 ledde vs vnto¹ we [come]² wiþouten þo cyte: & we kneled
 6 vpon³ þo banke of þo water, ande preyde; ande whanne⁴ we
 hade⁵ made oure haylsynge togider⁶, we wente into þo schippe,
 7 ande þei wente agayne vnto hers⁷. Ande we in opun
 saylynge descended fro Tyre vnto⁸ Tholomaydam; ande we
 8 haylsed⁹ oure breþer, ande dwelled with hem a daye. Ande
 vpon þo¹⁰ toþer daye we come vnto¹¹ Cesarie; ande we enterde
 into¹² þo howse of Philippe þo euuangeliste, þo whiche was
 9 one of þo seuen, ande we dwelled wiþ hym. Ande he hade
 10 foure doghter¹³, virgynes, þat were prophetes. Ande whanne
 we haden dwelled þere bi summe dais, one come from þo
 Iewry, þo whiche was a prophete, ande his name Agab¹⁴.
 11 He, whanne he come vnto¹⁵ vs, he toke þo girdel of Poule,
 ande bonde Poules hende¹⁶ ande hise fete, ande saide, þis sais
 þo Holygoste, þus schal þo Iewes þat ben in Ierusalem bynde
 þo man þat owes þis girdel, ande þei schal bitake hym into
 12 þe hende¹⁷ of nacyons. Ande whanne we harde þis, we ande
 þoo þat wore of þat place preyde hym þat he schulde noghte
 13 go vnto¹⁸ Ierusalem. Ande thanne ansuered Poule ande saide,
 What done ȝhe, þat ȝhe wepe ande disese myne hertte? I
 am rely noghte onely to be bownden, bot alsso forto dighe in
 14 Ierusalem for þo name of oure Lorde Iesu Criste. Ande
 [whanne] we myghte¹⁹ make no skille vnto hym to holde hym
 fro Ierusalem, we cessed, & saide, þo wille of God²⁰ be done.
 15 Ande efter þise dais²¹ we²² wore redy, ande wente into Ieru-
 16 salem. Ande summe of þo disciples come with vs fro Cesarye,
 bringaude with hem Iasone, wiþ whom we wore harbarowed,
 17 þo whiche was a man of Ciper & an olde discipul. Ande

¹ *tul* with the *u* changed to *y* by a later hand, S. *til* P. to D. ² S.P.D.

³ *on* S.P.D.

⁴ *om.* P.

⁵⁻⁶ *taken leue eche at opur* S.P.D.

⁶ *to þeyres* S.P.D.

⁷ *to* S.P.D.

⁸ *saluyd* S.P.D.

⁹ *þat* S.P.D.

¹⁰ *om.* S.P.D.

¹¹ *deghter* (?), fol. 59 C.

¹² *agabbo* P, in S. *bo* inserted

above the line.

¹³ *to* S.P.D. fol. 122 S.

¹⁴ *hondys* S.P. *honde* D.

¹⁵ *hond* S.P.D.

¹⁶ *myzte* not D.

¹⁷ *oure lord* P., in marg., 1st corr. S.

¹⁸ *dayis* with *is* expunged, D. *day* S.P.

¹⁹ added above the line, 1st

corr. S. *om.* D.

whanne we come vnto¹ Ierusalem, gladly receyued vs þo
 breþer. Ande on þo secunde daye wente Poule² wip us vnto³ 18
 Iame, ande alle þe eldars wore gadired togider. Ande whan 19
 he hade hailled⁴ hem, he tolde vnto⁵ hem þat God hade done
 by his mynistrynge in nacyona. Ande⁶ þei, whanne þei 20
 harde þis, þei loued God, ande þei saide vnto⁷ hym, Sees þow,
 brøþer, how many [þowsande]⁸ of þe Iewes trowden; ande
 alle ben filowers of þo lawe; ande þei hafe harde of þe, þat 21
 þow teches discencyone (or, diuerste) fro Moises of þo Iewes
 þo whiche are bi nacyons: þat hem owes noghte to circum-
 cide þer childer, nor forto⁹ go¹⁰ as þei ben wonte. What 22
 þanne? a multitude¹¹ soþely schal be gaderde togider, for þei
 schal here þat þow erte comyn. Do þerfore þat we saye: 23
 Wip vs ben foure men þat has on hem [v]owe¹²; take þise, 24
 ande halow þe wip hem, ande gife¹³ þow in hem þat þei
 schauē þer heuedes: ande alle¹⁴ schal knowe, þat what þei
 haue harde of þe ben fals; bot also þei¹⁵ schal¹⁶ knowe, þat
 þow gos ande kepes þo lawe. Ande of þoo þat trowen of þo 25
 nacyons, we haue writen, demande þat þei abstene hem fro
 þinge þat es sacrificed vnto¹⁷ idoles, ande fro blode, ande fro
 beeste þat es chokud in blode, & fro fornycacyone. Thanne¹⁸ 26
 Poule toke þise men, ande whanne he was purifielde¹⁹ þo
 nexte daye²⁰ efter he wente²¹ wip hem into þo tempul, schew-
 ande þo fulfyllinge of þo dais of þo purificacyone, vnto²² þat
 offeringe wore offerde for icheone of hem. Ande whan þo 27
 seuen dais wore ended, þo Iewes þat wore of Asie, whanne þei
 see hym in þo temple, þei stired²³ alle þo puple, ande keste²⁴
 þer houndes on hym criaude, 3he men of Israel, helpes: þis es 28
 þo man þat teches in iche place alle maner of men agayne þo
 puple, þo²⁵ lawe, ande þis place²⁶: & also he haues broghte
 þo gentiles into þo temple, ande has filed þis holy place. For 29
 þei see one Trophyme in þo cyte, þo whiche was a man of

¹ to S.P.D. ² fol. 59^b C. ³ salowyd S.P.D. ⁴ & whan þei had
 herd S.P. ⁵ P. þowsund in marg. 1st corr. S. ⁶ above the line, C.
⁷ þerfore is S.P. ⁸ fol. 122^b S. ⁹ S.P.D. nowe C. ¹⁰ put S.P.D.
¹¹⁻¹¹ om. S.P.D. ¹² alle schal P. alle in marg. 1st corr. S. ¹³ þat D.;
 þan on erasure, 1st corr. S. ¹⁴ S.P.D. purueyde C. ¹⁵ fol. 60 C.
¹⁶ þede S.P.D. ¹⁷ meuyd S.P.D. ¹⁸ putte S.P.D. ¹⁹ & þe S.P.
²⁰ om. S.P.

Ephesy, with hym, ande þei supposed þat Poule hade broghte
 30 hym into þo temple. Ande alle þe cyte was stired¹, ande
 grete concourse of þo puple was made: ande þei toke Poule
 ande drowe hym wiþouten þo temple: & onone wore þo
 31 þhates sparred². Ande whileste³ þei wore aboute forto slee
 hym, worde come vnto⁴ þo tribune of þo compaigne, þat alle
 Ierusalem es confounded⁵. (Tribune was he called⁶ þat hade
 32 a þowsande knyghtes at his ledinge.) Ande he toke hise
 knyghtes ande centurions onon, ande wente⁷ vnto⁸ Ieru-
 salem: ande whan þei see þo tribune ande þo knyghtes, þei
 33 cessed forto smyte Poule. þanne þo tribune toke⁹ Poule,
 ande bade þat he schulde be bownden wiþ twoo chenys, ande
 34 asched what he was, ande whatte þat he hade done. Ande
 diuersite of crynge was amonge¹⁰ þo company, for summe
 saide one, ande summe an-oþer. Ande whanne þo tribune
 myghte noghte knowe þo soþe for¹¹ grete noyce, he baile þat
 35 he schulde be ledde into¹² þo castels¹³. Ande whanne he
 come vnto¹⁴ þo grees, bifelle, þat Poule was¹⁵ borne¹⁶ of þo
 36 knyghtes for þo strenkthe of þo puple. For grete multitude
 37 of þo puple filowed, criande, Undo hym (or, slee hym). Ande
 whanne Poule biganne to come into þo castels¹⁷, he saide
 vnto¹⁸ þo tribune, If hit be leffulle þat I speke sumwhat vnto¹⁹
 þe? Ande þo tribune saide, Kannes þow speke of Grewe?
 38 Arte þou noghte, he saide, þo Egipcyene, þat bifore þise dais
 raysed grete noyce, ande ledde into²⁰ deserte foure þowsande
 of men sicaryens? (Sicariens wore men þat maden fauchons
 39 or lytel swerdes.) Ande Poule saide vnto²¹ hym, I soþely am
 a Iewe, of Tharse of Cilyce, a buriase of a cyte þat es noghte
 vnknowne: I prey þe þat I may speke vnto þo puple.
 40 Ande²² whanne þo puple²³ gafe hym leue forto²⁴ speke,
 Poule, stondande in þo grees, wiþ hise honde he bekkende
 vnto²⁵ þo puple; ande²⁶ whanne grete²⁷ stillynge was, he speke

¹ meuyd S.P.D. ² cloyd S.P.D. ³ whyles S.P.D. ⁴ to S.P.D.

⁵ fol. 123 S. ⁶ clepyd S.P.D. ⁷ ȝede S.P.D. ⁸ fol. 60^b C. ⁹ in S.P.D.

¹⁰ for þe P. ¹¹ castel S.P.D. ¹² he was in marg. 1st corr. S; in text, P.

¹³ up follows, P; above the line, 1st corr. S. ¹⁴ into þe S.P.D.

¹⁵ Chap. xxii. begins here in all the mss. xxvii c^o in a late hand, S,
 erasure in marg., C. C^m xxii P. ¹⁶ tribune S.P.D. *Vulg. ille.*

¹⁷ C^m 22^m in marg. later hand, C. ¹⁸ þe gr. P.

1. In tonge of Elrewe, ande¹ saide, þe men, breþer ande : 22
 fadir, heres what stille I schewe unto² þow. Ande whanne 3
 þei herde þat³ he speke in þe tonge of Elrewe, þei helde hem
 þi more velle : ande he saide, I am a man, a leue borne in 4
 Thirre of Siles, ande noriched in þis cyte biȝide þe sete of
 Canaȝei. I was taughte ande lerned⁴ efter þe verite of my
 fadir⁵ Iove, ande furwar of þe Iove as þe alle ben todaye :
 ande þis waye I pursued unto þe dead⁶, byndande⁷ ande 4
 biddande⁸ bi prynces men ande wymmen. As þe prince of 5
 perces heres wytnes unto⁹ me, ande alle þe mooste worþi : of
 whom I take epistols ande letters, ande wente unto¹⁰ þe¹¹
 breþer into Damasko forto bringe hem from þeþen¹² bounden
 into Ierusalem. þat þei schalde be punyched. Ande hit 6
 befelle, as I wente, ande¹³ neȝhed unto¹⁴ Damasko, "ymiddes
 þe way¹⁵, sodenly vmsehene¹⁶ me grete lighte fro heven. Ande 7
 [fallande]¹⁷ unto¹⁸ þe erthe I harde a voyce sayande unto¹⁹ me,
 Saule, Saule, wharto pursues þow me ? Ande I answered, 8
 Who erte þou, Lorde ? Ande he saide unto²⁰ me, I am Iesu
 of Nazareth, whom þat²¹ þow pursues. Ande þoo þat wore 9
 wip me seen lighte, bi þei harde noghte his voice þat speke
 wip me. & I saide, What schal I do, Lorde ! Ande he saide 10
 unto²² me, Rise, ande go into Damasko : ande þer schal be
 suble unto²³ þe of alle þinges þat²⁴ þe biȝoues to do. & 11
 whanne I myghte noghte se for clerte of þat lyghte, I was
 ledde bi þe²⁵ honde of my²⁶ felowes, ande so I kome unto²⁷
 Damasko. Ande a²⁸ man whos name was Ananye, he bi þe 12
 lawe hade wytnes of alle þe²⁹ Iewes, þat dwelled þore, ande he 13
 come to me, ande³⁰ seid to me, Saule breþer, biholde ande se.
 Ande I in þe same houre bihelde vpon³¹ hym. Ande he 14
 saide, þe³² Gual of oure fadires haues bifore-ordeyned þe forto
 knowe hise wille, & forto see hise right wise³³, ande forto here
 hise voyce of hise moupe. For þou schalt be wytnes of hym 15
 unto³⁴ alle men of þe³⁵ þinges þat þow haues sene ande harde.

¹ fol. 123^v S. ² to S.P.D. ³ fol. 61 C. ⁴ leryd S.P.D.
⁵ fadir S.P.D. ⁶ deþ S.P.D. ⁷ y bounde S.P.D. ⁸ om. D. ⁹ þen
 S.P.D. ¹⁰ I S.P. ¹¹⁻¹² in myddil of þe day S.P.D. ¹² byschone S.P.D.
¹³ fallynge S.P.D. ¹⁴ om. S.P.D. ¹⁵ what S.P. ¹⁶ fol. 61^v C.
¹⁷ fol. 124 S. ¹⁸ ande seid to in different ink, on erasure, C. ¹⁹ on S.P.D.
²⁰ erased S. om. P. ²¹⁻²² om. S.P.D.

16 Ande nowe, wharto taries þowe? Rise, ande be baptised¹,
 ande wasche þi synnes, ande calle² vponne³ hise name þat þus
 17 haues schewed vnto⁴ þe. Ande hit bifelle, þat, whanne I
 turned agayne into Ierusalem ande præyde in þo temple, þat
 18 I was stonyed in mynde; ande me þoghte I harde hym
 sayande vnto⁴ me, Haste þe, ande go oute swiftly⁵ of Ieru-
 salem, for þei schal noghte receyue þo⁶ wytnessinge of me.
 19 & I saide, Lorde, þei knowne þat I am he þat sperred⁷ in
 prisone & betty bi þo synagoge⁸ hem þat trowed⁹ in þe:
 20 ande whanne þo blode of Stephyu þat was þi witnes was
 schedde, I was þore, ande assented vnto⁴ hise slaughte; ande
 21 I keppeþ þo cloþes of hem þat slowe hym. Ande he saide
 22 vnto⁴ me, Go, forto alle nacjons I schal sende þe¹⁰. Þo
 companye harde hym vnto⁴ þis worde, ande þei lifte vppe þer
 voice, ande cried, Undo hym (or¹¹, delyuer hym) oute of þo
 23 erthe: for hit es noghte leffulle þat he schal life. Ande
 whanne þei maked þis crye, ande keste forþe þer cloþes, ande
 24 smote vppe poudre into þo ayre, þo tribune bade to¹² lede
 hym into þo castels, ande forto bete hym wiþ scourges, ande
 forto¹³ touremente, þat he myghte wyte for what cause suche
 25 crynge was made agayne hym. Ande whanne þei hade
 streyned hym in þoo¹⁴ bondes, Poule saide vnto⁴ þo centurione
 þat stode bi hym, Is hit leffulle vnto⁴ 3owe so forto scourge
 26 ande bete a man Romaine þat es noghte dampned? Ande
 whanne þo centurio harde þis, he wente vnto⁴ þo Tribune,
 ande saide vnto² hym, What schalte þow do? þis man es
 27 a Romaine. & þo tribune come vnto⁴ hym ande saide¹⁵, Say
 28 me if þow be a Romaine. Ande he saide, 3he. Ande þo
 Tribune saide, Lyghtly sais þou þat þow erte a buriase of
 Rome; I haue goten þis cyte¹⁶ wiþ myche money. Ande
 29 Poule saide, Ande I am borne Romaine. Ande onone þoo¹⁶
 þat schulde hafe tourmented hym wente fro hym; ande þo

¹ baptizest P.² clepe S.P.D.³ on S.P.D.⁴ to S.P.D.⁵ schyftely P.⁶ þi S.P.D.⁷ closyd S.P.D.⁸ synagogys S.P.D.⁹ þat trowed expunged follows, S.¹⁰ fol. 62 C.¹¹ and S.P.D.¹² om. S.P.D.¹³ fol. 124^b S. to S.P.D.¹⁴ seyde to hym S.P.D.¹⁵ cyte crossed through with borcheschep in marg. 1st corr. S. burcheschep P.¹⁶ þo ilke S.P.

tribune dredde, efter þat he hardē þat he was a Romaine,
ande for he hade so bownden hym.

Ande¹ þo day efter þo Tribune wolde knowe certaynly² 30
for what cause he was accused of þo Iewea. He lowsed hym,
ande called togider³ þo prestes ande alle þo cownseile, ande
broghte forþe Poule, ande sette hym amonge hem. Ande 1 23
Poule, lokande vnto⁴ þo cownseile, saide, 3he men, breþer, I in
alle gode conscience hafe lifed bifore God vnto þis daye.
Ande Ananye, þo prince of prestes, bad to þoo þat stode 2
nere⁵ hym forto smyte hise mowþe. Þanne⁶ sayde Poule 3
vnto⁴ hym, þow⁷ wall whited⁸, Godde schal strike þe. Ande
þou syttande demes me efter þo lawe, ande agaynes þe lawe
þow biddes þat I be smyten. Ande þoo þat stoden by 4
saiden⁹ vnto⁴ Poule, Waries¹⁰ þow þo souereyne preste¹¹?
Ande Poule saide, I¹² wiste noghte, breþer, þat he was prince 5
of prestes. For¹³ hit es writen, þow schalte noghte warye¹⁴
þo prince of þi flokke¹⁵. Ande whanne Poule knewe¹⁶ þat one 6
partye of þoo þat wore gadired þer was of þo Pharisens, ande
an-~~oþer~~ of þo¹⁷ Saducens, he cried in þo cownseyle, 3he men,
breþer¹⁸, I am a Pharisene, þo sone of a Pharisene, of þo hope
ande of þo resurrecyone I am demed. Ande whanne he hade 7
saide þise, onone¹⁹ was made a²⁰ discencyone [bitwixe]²¹ þo
Pharisens ande þo¹⁷ Saducens, ande so þo multitude was
diuersed ande twynned. þo Saducens saide, þat þere schulde 8
no resurreccyone be, ande þat þer was nouþer awngel nor²²
spiritte: ande þo Pharisens saide þo reuerce þat boþe þise
was. Ande grete crynge was made: ande sum of þo Pharises 9
faughte, sayande, We fynde none²³ yuel in þis man: what
þose²⁴ a spirytte hafe spoken vnto⁴ hym, or an²⁵ awngel?

¹ in marg. y^e xxiii c^e in a xvith cent. hand, S. C^m xxiii P. ² more c. S.P. ³ fol. 62^b S. ⁴ to S.P.D. ⁵ ny3 S.P.D. ⁶ C^m 23 in marg. in a later hand, C. ⁷ if þow C, om. S.P. 3if (crossed through) þow D. ⁸ whithyt wall (on erasure, 1st corr.) wylte (crossed through) S. wylte wel P. ⁹ seyden (on erasure, 1st corr. S.), follows Poule, S.P. om. D. ¹⁰ corsest P.D., in marg. 1st corr. S. ¹¹ prest of god P. of god in marg. S. ¹² erased; inserted after not, S. ¹³ fol. 125 S. ¹⁴ blank space of $\frac{3}{4}$ in. P. cursest on erasure in a later hand, S. ¹⁵ folke S.P.D. ¹⁶ in marg. C. ¹⁷ om. S.P.D. ¹⁸ & br. S.P.D. ¹⁹ on- above the line, in different ink, C. ²⁰ om. S.P. ²¹ S.P. bytwixte D. byfore C. ²² ne S.P. ²³ fol. 63 C. ²⁴ 3if S.P.D. ²⁵ eny S.P.D.

- 10 Ande whanne grete discencyone was amonges hem, þo
 tribune dredde hym þat Poule schulde be alle todriuen¹
 amonge hem; ande he bade knyghtes to goo ande take hym
 fro myddes of hem, ande forto lede hym into þo castels².
 11 Ande in þo nyghte efter Criste stode bi hym, ande saide, Be
 stedfaste, for as þow haueste wytnessed of me in Ierusalem, so
 12 bihoues þe to wytnes at Rome. Ande whanne daye was
 comen, summe of þo Iewes gadured hem togider, ande made
 a vowe amonge hem, sayande, þat þei schulde nouþer³ ete nor
 13 drinke vnto⁴ þei hade slayne Poule. Ande þei wore mo
 þanne fourety men þat made þis coniuracyone ande þis oþe.
 14 Þise men zode to þo princes of prestes ande þo elders, ande
 sayde, We han made a vowe, þat we schal nouþer⁵ ete nor⁶
 15 drinke to⁷ we haue slayne Poule. þerfore make þhe knowne
 vnto⁸ þo tribune wiþ þo counsel, þat he bringe hym forþe
 vnto⁹ vs as we schulde knowe more certaynly of hym: ande
 16 we, or he come to vs, ben redy forto slee hym. Þis harde
 a childe þat was Poule sister sone; he come into þo castels¹⁰
 17 ande tolde Poule of þis. Ande Poule called vnto¹¹ hym one
 of þe centurions, ande saide, Lede þis childe to þo tribune,
 18 for he haues sumwhat to telle vnto¹² hym. Ande he toke
 hym, ande ledde hym to þo tribune, ande saide, Poule þat es
 bownden preye me to bringe þis childe vnto¹³ þe, for he
 19 haues to speke wiþ þe. Ande þo tribune toke þo hande of
 þo childe, ande wente wiþ hym biside, ande saide vnto¹⁴ hym,
 20 What haues þow to¹⁵ telle vnto¹⁶ me? Ande he saide, þo
 Iewes han¹⁷ accorded to preye þe, þat þow bringe forþe to-
 morne Poule into þo conseyll, as if þei wolde wyte more
 21 wyterly¹⁸ of hym. Bot trowe hem noghte: for moo þanne
 fourty men lyne in wayte for hym, þo whiche¹⁹ han made
 a vowe. nouþer to ete nor drinke to²⁰ þei²¹ haue slayne hym:
 ande now ben þei redy, ande abiden þi biheste ande þi wille.
 22 Ande þo²² tribune lete þis childe go, ande bade hym þat he
 schulde telle vnto²³ none þat he hade made þis knowne vnto²⁴

¹ to ry/syn S.P.D.² castel S.P.³ neyþer S.P.D.⁴ to S.P.D.⁵ neyþer P. fol. 125^b S.⁶ no P.⁷ tyl S.P.D.⁸ castel S.P.D.⁹ fol. 63^b C; om. S.P.D.¹⁰ for to S.P.D.¹¹ bep S.P.D.¹² sykyrlyS.P.D. ¹³ whulke S.D.¹⁴ tul S.P.D.¹⁵ þei sle hym S.P.D.¹⁶ om. P.

hym. Ande he called two¹ centurions, ande saide to hem, 23
 Makes redy two hundreth knyghtes forto go vnto² Cesarye,
 ande seuenthy horse-men, ande spers-men two hundreth, fro
 þo þridde houre of þo nyghte; ande make redy your bestes, 24
 þat þhe may sette Poule on one ande lede saufe³ vnto Felix
 þo mayer⁴, ande wrote a letter in þis maner of wordes: 25
 Claudius Lysias to gode Felix gretes wele (or, ȝernes⁵ hele). 26
 Þis man þat was taken of þe Iewes⁶, ande in poynte to be 27
 slayne of hem, I⁷, in þo mene tyme comande, toke hym fro
 þer hende⁸, for I knewe þat he was a Romayn. Ande for 28
 I wolde knowe þo cause þat þei keste agayne hym, I ledde
 hym into þer⁹ counseyle. And I fonde þat he was accused of 29
 þo questions of þer lawe: bot I fonde hym no þinge worþi
 þo deþe nor þat bere cryme vnto¹⁰ þo Iewes. Ande whanne 30
 hit was tolde me of þo waytynges þat þei ordeyned agayne
 hym, I sende hym vnto¹¹ þe, ande biddande vnto¹² þe accusars
 þat þei telle þer¹³ pleynte bifore þe. Ande þo knyghtes, as 31
 hit was boden¹⁴ to hem, þei toke Poule, ande ledde hym into
 Antipatridem. Ande þo toþer day þei lefte þer þer¹⁵ horses¹⁶ 32
 forto¹⁷ go wiþ hym, ande þei ȝode vnto¹⁸ þo castels. Ande 33
 whanne þei wore comen vnto¹⁹ Cesarie, ande hade gifen þe
 letter vnto²⁰ þo mayre²¹, þei sette bifore hym Poule. Ande 34
 whanne he hade redde þo letter, ande asched of what contre
 he was; ande whanne he knewe þat he was of Cylyce, he 35
 saide, I schal here þe whan þine²² accusars comen. Ande
 he bade kepe hym in þo mote-halle of Herowde (þo place
 þere Heroude demed).

Ande²³ efter siue dais come þo prince of prestes Anany, 24
 with summe of þo elders, and wiþ one Tertullo, an orator
 (þat es, a²⁴ motar or aduoket); þise wente vnto²⁵ þe maire²⁶
 agaynes Poule. Ande whanne Poule was sommunde, 2
 Tertullus biganne to accuse Poule, ande saide vnto²⁷ þe
 mayre²⁸, Siþen we ben in meke²⁹ pece bi þe, ande many þinges

¹ to P. ² to S.P.D. ³ hym faste S.P. ⁴ fol. 126 S. ⁵ marge P.
⁶ deayref S.P.D. ⁷ fol. 64 C. ⁸ d S.P.D. ⁹ honde S.P.D. ¹⁰ þe S.P.D.
¹¹ bedyn S.P.D. ¹² om. S.P. ¹³ hors S.P.D. ¹⁴ marge P. ¹⁵ þi S.P.D.
¹⁶ in marg. C^m 24 in a later hand, C. þ^r xxiii c^o in a xvith century hand, S.
¹⁷ fol. 64^b S. ¹⁸ muche S.P.D.

3 ben correctud by þi prouidence, euermore¹, gode Felix, we
 4 han receyued þise wiþ alle dedis of þankea. Ande þat I no
 5 lenger tarye þe², I prey þe, here þis³ for þi godenea. We
 haue fownden þis wikked man, ande styrande sedicione vnto⁴
 alle þo Iewes in alle þo worlde, ande autor of þo sedicione of
 6 þo secte⁵ of Nazarens: ande oure temple has he⁶ ben aboute
 forto⁴ file. Ande whanne we haden taken hym, we wolde
 7 haue iuged hym efter oure lawe. Ande þo tribune Lysias
 kome, and toke [hym]⁷ oute of our hende⁸ with grete
 8 strenkthe, ande bade liise accusars come vnto⁴ þe, of whom
 þow may knowe, demande of alle þise, of þo whiche we
 9 accusen hym. Ande þo Iewes saiden also þat þus hit was.
 10 Ande þo mayre made token to Poule to speke, and Poule
 ansuered, Of many þere I þat haue knowne þe iuge vnto⁴
 þis flokke⁹, [in a good wille I]¹⁰ schal make satisfaccyon for
 11 me bifore þe: þow may wele knowe þat no moo days ben
 12 vnto⁴ me bot¹¹ twelfe siþen I come fro Ierusalem. Ande in
 þo temple þei han noghte fownden any disputande wiþ me or
 elles makande¹² any concourse of company, nouþer in þo
 13 temple, nor in þo synagoge, nor in þo cyte. Nor þei may
 14 proue þinges þat þei accusen me of vnto⁴ þe. [Ande I know-
 leche to þe]¹³, þat efter þo secte þat þei callen heresie, I haue
 so serued to God my fadire þat I trowe vnto⁴ alle þat ben
 15 wryten in þo lawe ande þo prophecye: hafande my hope in
 God, in¹⁴ þo¹⁵ whiche also hemseluen abiden þo resurreccione
 16 þat es forto⁴ come boþe of þo¹⁶ gode ande þo yuel. In þis
 also I studye forto haue conscience to God euermore, ande
 17 to men also wiþouten offendikel. Ande efter many þere¹⁷
 I come vnto⁴ my nacyon forto do almes, ande forto do myne
 18 offeringes ande myne auowes: in þo whiche þei fonde me
 purified in þo temple, noghte wiþ grete companye, nor wiþ
 noyce. Ande þei toke me, cryande ande sayande, Vndo oure
 19 enmye. And summe Iewes of Asye, whom hit bihoued

¹ ande euermore S.P.D.C. fol. 126^b S.² in marg. C.³ us S.P.D.⁴ to S.P.D.⁵ secte D. cytee S.P.⁶ he hap S.P.D.⁷ S.P.D.⁸ honde S.P.D.⁹ folke S.P.D.¹⁰ þan S.P.D.¹¹ me makynge follows

companye, S.P.D.

¹² & in S.P.D.¹³ om. S.P.¹⁴ fol. 127 S.¹⁵ ȝeerres with s in a later hand, S. ȝeerres P.

nowe forto¹ be redy bifore þe, & forto accuse, if þei haden
oghte agaynes me, or elles say þise hemseluen, if þei haue 20
fownden any wikkednes in me, siþen I stonde here in þo
conseyle, bot onely of þis one voyce, þat I cried stondande 21
amonges hem and sayande, I am demed of ȝowe of þo resur-
reccione of deade². & Felix differde hem þat accuseden hym, 22
for he kn[e]we³ how hit was, ande he saide to hem, Whanne
þo tribune Lysias komes, I⁴ schal here ȝowe. Ande he bade 23
vnto¹ a centuryone forto kepe Poule, ande þat he schulde
haue reste; ande þat none of hem⁵ schulde be lette forto
mynister vnto¹ hym. Ande efter summe dais Felix come 24
wip Drusille, hise wife, þo whiche was a Iewes, ande called⁶
Poule, ande harde of hym þo faiþe in oure Lorde Iesu Criste.
Ande whanne he disputed of rightwisenes, ande chastite, 25
ande þo dome þat was forto¹ come, Felix was ferde, ande
ansuered, Go nowe at þis tyme, for in a⁷ couenabul tyme
I schal calle þe. Ande Felix supposed that Poule schulde 26
gife hym summe moneye: and þerfore often tyme he called
hym, and speke with hym. Ande⁸ efter þat Felix hade 27
fynischid hise two ȝhere in hise office, he hade a successoure
whos name was called Festus. Ande for Felix wolde haue
þanke of þo Iewes, he lefte Poule bownden in bondes.

Ande⁹ whanne Festus þanne come into þo contre, efter þo 25
þridde daye he wente vnto¹ Ierusalem fro Cesarye. Ande 2
þo princes of prestes come vnto¹ hym, and þo firste & þo
moste worþi of þo Iewes, agayne Poule. Ande þei preyde
hym, aschande grace agayn hym, þat he schulde bidde hym 3
be broghte into Ierusalem, settande waytynges forto slee hym
in þo waye. Ande Festus ansuered, þat Poule schulde be 4
kepped in Cesarye, ande þat hymseluen¹⁰ schulde hastily go
pider. Ande⁷ þerfore, he saide, þoo þat ben myghty¹¹ in 5
ȝowe¹², kome þei¹³ also. Ande if⁷ þer be any cryme in þo
man, accuse þei hym. And he dwelled amonge hem days 6
no mo bot eghte or tenue. Ande he wente into Cesarye,

¹ to S.P.D. ² þe d. S.P. ³ S.P.D. knowe C. ⁴ fol. 65^b C.
⁵ hyse S.P.D., erasure of his follown, C. ⁶ prayed for to see S.P. ⁷ om. P.
⁸ fol. 127^b S. ⁹ in marg. C^m 25 in a later hand, C. xxv c^o on erasure
in a xvith century hand, S. ¹⁰ he h. S.P. ¹¹ fol. 66 C. ¹² in ȝowe
om. S.P.D. ¹³ om. S.P.D.

ande þo toþer daye he sate in his sete of dome, ande bade þat
 7 Poule be broghte forþe. Ande whanne he was broghte forþe,
 Iewes¹ þat komen fro Ierusalem stoden aboute hym, castande
 agayne hym many grete causes, þo whiche þei myghte noghte
 8 proue; for Poule made his skille agayne, sayande, þat nouper
 I haue synned agayn þo lawe of þo Iewes, nor agayne þo
 9 temple, nor agayne þo Cesar. Ande Festus, in wille forto
 gife grace vnto² þo Iewes³, ande forto haue þanke of hem,
 ansuered vnto⁴ Poule and saide, Wilte þou go vnto⁵ Ieru-
 10 salem, ande þer be iuged of þise bifore me? Ande Poule
 saide, I stonde atte þo demynge-place of þo Cesare, where hit
 behoues⁶ me forto⁷ be demed. I haue noghte noyed vnto⁸
 11 þo Iewes, as þow wele knowes. Ande if I haue noyed or done
 any þinge worþi þo deþe, I recuse⁹ noghte to dye. Bot if
 I haue done no þinge þat þei accuse me of, none may gife me
 12 vnto¹⁰ hem. Vnto¹¹ þo Cesar I appele. Þanne Festus spake
 wiþ hise cownseyle, and ansuered, þow haues appeled vnto¹²
 13 þo Cesar, ande to þo Cesar schalte þow go. Ande whanne¹³
 summe days wore passed, þo kenge Agrippa ande men of
 Baronye¹⁴ come vnto Cesarie to Festus, forto hayls hym.
 14 And whanne þei hade ben þore many dayes, Festus tolde
 vnto¹⁵ þo kenge of Poule, & sayde, þer was a man leste
 15 bownden of Felix: for¹⁶ whom, whanne I was at Ierusalem,
 þo princes of prestes ande þo elders come vnto¹⁷ me, aschande
 16 dampnacione agaynes hym. To whom I ansuered, þat hit es
 noghte custome vnto¹⁸ þo Romayns to¹⁹ dampne any man, to²⁰
 he þat es accused haue presente hise accusars, and also þat
 he haue place forto defende hym, forto ansuere vnto²¹ þo
 17 crymes þat ben putte vpon²² hym. Ande whanne þei come
 hider wiþouten any tarynge, I sate on þo toþer day forto
 18 deme, and I bade hym forto be broghte forþe²³. Of whom,
 whanne hise accusars stode bifore me, I fonde no cause of þo
 19 whiche I supposed ille²⁴. Bot summe questions²⁵ of his super-
 sticione þei hade agayne hym, and specially of oue Iesu, þat

¹ þe i. S.P.² to S.P.D.³ nor aȝen þe pepel follows, expunged, S.P.⁴ fol. 128 S.⁵ refuse S.P.D.⁶ fol. 66^b C.⁷ Vulg. Agrippa rex et

Bernice.

⁸ in marg. C.⁹ for to S.P.¹⁰ til (on erasure, S.) P.¹¹ on S.P.¹² to us S.P.D.¹³ yuel S.P.D.¹⁴ questyoun S.P.D.

es deed, whom Poule affermed forto life. Ande for I was 20
 in doute of þis question, I asched if he wolde go vnto¹ Ieru-
 salem and be iuged þore of þise². Ande Poule appeled, & 21
 forto kepe hit vnto¹ þo knowynge³ of þo Auguste, I bade
 kepe hym⁴ to I sende hym⁵ vnto þo⁶ Cesar. Ande Agrippa 22
 saide to Festus, I wolde also here þat man. 'Ande Festus
 ansuered⁷, Tomorue þow schalte here hym. Ande vpon⁸ þo 23
 toþer daye, whaune Agrippa ande þo men of Beronye wore
 comen with grete ȝerneyng⁹, ande wore enterd¹⁰ þo audy-
 torye, wiþ þo tribunes ande þo principal men of þo cyte, at þo¹¹
 bidynge of Festus Poule was broghte forþe. Ande Festus 24
 saide, Kenge Agrippa, ande ȝhe alle þat ben here wiþ vs, ȝhe
 sene þis man, of whom alle þo multitude of þo Iewes speke
 vnto¹ me at Ierusalem, aschande & criande þat he schulde no
 lenger life. Ande I fonde no þinge þat he wore worþi þe 25
 deþe fore. Ande for he haues appeled, I haue demed to
 sende hym vnto¹² Anguste. Bot in certayne what I may 26
 write to my lorde haue¹³ I noghte. Ande for þis cause I
 haue¹⁴ broghte hym forthe vnto¹ ȝowe, and specially vnto¹
 þo kenge Agrippa, þat I¹⁴ may asche hym bifore ȝowe, ande
 þat I may knowe what I schal write. For wiþouten resone 27
 me þenke¹⁵ to sende hym bowuden, ande noghte forto telle þo
 cause.

Ande¹⁶ þo kenge Agrippa saide vnto¹ Poule, Hit es 28
 sufferde þat þow speke for þiseluen. þanne Poule spredde
 hise hende obrode¹⁷, and gafe his skille, ande saide, Of alle þo 2
 þinges¹⁸ þat I am accused of þo Iewes, kenge Agrippa, I
 suppose me blessed ande clene¹⁹ bifore þe, siþen²⁰ I schal
 defende me today. Ande specyally siþen þow knowes alle 3
 þo⁴ customes þat ben amonge þo¹¹ Iewes, ande also þo
 questions²² þat ben amonge hem: wherfore I preye þe þat

¹ to S.P.D. ² hym, crossed through, with þese þynges in marg. 1st
 corr. S. þese þinges, P. ³ fol. 128^b S. ⁴ om. S.P. ⁵ fol. 67 C.
⁶ om. S.P.D. ⁷⁻⁷ om. S.P. ⁸ on S.P.D. ⁹ ȝerneynges P.
¹⁰ to, expunged, follows, S. ¹¹ om. P. ¹² to þe S.P.D. ¹³ I haue S.P.D.
¹⁴ haue, expunged, follows, P. ¹⁵ þynkeþ S.P.D. ¹⁶ in marg. C^m 26 in
 a later hand, C. xxvi c^o on erasure, xvith century hand, S. ¹⁷ abrood
 follows spread, S.P.D. ¹⁸ þ on erasure, S. kyngis D. ¹⁹ knele S.P.D.
²⁰ fol. 67^b C. ²¹ hem P. ²² customes S.P.D.

4 þow here me paciently. Ande also forsoþe my lyfe fro my
 5 3owþe, ande fro þo bigynnyng in my nacyone, in Ierusalem,
 6 alle þo Iewes knowe; knowande me fro þo bigynnyng, if¹
 7 þei wolde bere wytnes, þat efter þo certayne secte of ousre
 8 relygione I haue lifed a Pharisene. Ande now in þo hope of
 9 biheste þat was made vnto² ousre fadires of ousre Lorde God, I
 10 stonde subjecte to þo dome; in þo whiche ousre twelue tribes,
 11 nyghte ande daye seruande, hopen to come. Of þo whiche
 12 hope, kenge Agrippa, I am accused of þo Iewes. Bot whatte
 13 es demed incredibil anentes 3owe, if God raise³ þo deed?
 14 Ande I also supposed, þat me awghte to do many contrary-
 15 ouse þinges agayne þo name of Iesu of Nazarene. Ande I
 16 sparde⁴ in prisone many halowes; and þis I did in Ierusalem,
 17 for suche power I toke of þo princes [of prestis]⁵; ande
 18 whanne þei wore slayne, I bare þo sentence. Ande punysch-
 19 ande hem customabuly by alle þo synagoges, I garte⁶ hem
 20 forto⁷ blaspheme. Ande 3itte I was more wode agaynes hem,
 21 ande pursewed hem to oute nacyons. In þo whiche, when I⁸
 22 wente vnto⁹ Damaske wiþ þo power & letters of princes of
 23 prestes, in þo myddes of þo daye, in þo waye I sawe, kenge
 24 Agrippa, fro heuen, passande þo schynnyng of þo sunne,
 25 a lyghte þat vmschone¹⁰ me and hem þat wore wiþ me.
 26 Ande whanne we alle felle vnto¹¹ þo erthe, I harde a voice
 27 spekande to me in þe tunge of Hebrewe, Saule, Saule, whi
 28 pursewes þow me? Hit es harde to þe to kes¹² agayne þo
 29 brodde¹³. Ande I saide, Who erte þow, Lorde? Ande he
 30 saide, I am Iesu whom þow pursewes. Bot rise vppe, he
 31 saide, ande stonde vpon¹⁴ þi fete: for for¹⁵ þis cause I appered
 32 vnto¹⁶ þe, forto inake þe a mynister ande wytnes of þinges þat
 33 þow haues sene, and of þo in whom I schal appere to þ[e]¹⁷;
 34 delyuerande þe¹⁸ fro pupuls ande nacyons, to whom nowe¹⁹
 35 I sende þe, forto opun þo eyghne of þo²⁰ blynde, þat þei turne
 36 fro þo derkenes vnto²¹ þo lighte, fro þe pouer of þo fende to
 37 God, ande þat þei take remyssioun of synnes, ande lote amonge

¹ fol. 129 B.² to S.P.D.³ rere S.P.D.⁴ cloyd S.P.D.⁵ S.P.D.⁶ maked S.P.D.⁷ fol. 68 C.⁸ aboute schon S.P.D.⁹ kyce S.D. kynse P.¹⁰ prikke S.P.D.¹¹ on S.P.D.¹² om. S.P.D.¹³ S.P.D. þo C.¹⁴ þes P.¹⁵ I now S.P.D.¹⁶ fol. 129^b B.

halowes bi þo faipe þat es in me. Wherfore, kenge Agrippa, 19
 I was noghte vntrowthfulle to þo heuenly vision: bot to 20
 hem þat wore at Damaske firste, ande siþen¹ to þem þat wore
 at Ierusalem, I schewed hit, ande bi alle þo contre boþe to
 þo Iewrye ande to þo nacions, þat þei schulde² do penawnce,
 ande þat þei schulde be turned vnto³ God, doynge þo worþi
 frutes of penawnce. For þis cause þo Iewes, whan I was in 21
 þo temple, wolde haue slayne me, ande toke me. Ande ȝitte 22
 vnto⁴ þis daye I stande, hulpun wiþ þo grace of God, witness-
 ande boþe to þo lesse ande to þo more, no þinge sayande
 more þanne Moyses ande þo prophetes saide forto kome; þat 23
 Criste was p[ass]ibul⁵, & þat he was firste of þo resurreccione
 of þo deed, forto schewe lyghte vnto⁶ þo puple ande to þo
 naciones. Ande whanne he spake þus ande schewed resone 24
 ande skille for hym, Festus saide wiþ a grete voyce, Poule, þow
 fonnes⁷; myche⁸ letturere turnes þe vnto⁹ foly⁷. Ande Poule 25
 saide, Gode Festus, I sonne noghte, bot I speke wordes of
 soburnes ande soþefastenes. For þo kenge knowes of þise, 26
 to whom I speke stabuly; I suppose þat none of þise es
 vnknowne to hym; for none of þise was done in hiddels¹⁰ (or,
 in hernes). Ande þo kenge Agrippa trowes¹¹ vnto¹² þo pro- 27
 phetes; I wote þat þow trowes. Ande þo kenge Agrippa 28
 saide vnto¹³ Poule, In lytel þou makes a skille þat I am
 Cristen. Ande Poule saide, I ȝerne¹⁴ bifore God in lytel 29
 ande in myche, noghte onely þe, bot also¹⁵ alle þat heren me
 todaye, forto be made suche as I am, outetaken þise bondea.
 Ande þo¹⁶ kenge, ande þo mayre, ande þo men of Beronye, 30
 and þoo þat sate wiþ hem, rose vp; ande wente biside ande 31
 speke togider & saide, No þinge haues þis man done þat es
 worþi þo deþe or bondes. Ande Agrippa saide vnto¹⁷ Festus, 32
 þis man myghte haue ben laten go, if he hade noghte appeled
 vnto¹⁸ þe¹⁹ Cesar¹⁴.

¹ om. S.P.D. ² fol. 68^b C. ³ to S.P.D. ⁴ possibul C.;
passybyl S.P.D. *Fulg.* si passibilis Christus. ⁵ þu fonnyes repeated
 in marg. 1st corr. S. ⁶ þi m. S.P.D. ⁷ *foltschupe* S.P.D.
⁸ *hyddyl* S.P.D. ⁹ *trowest* S.P., *st* on erasure, S. ¹⁰ *desyre* S.P.D.
¹¹ fol. 130 S. ¹² fol. 69 C. ¹³ om. S.P. ¹⁴ *capitulum*
 follows, C.

27 1 Ande¹ whanne hit was demed þat he schulde schippe into
 Ytalye, ande be² taken³ vnto⁴ þo centurion of þo companye
 2 of Auguste whos name was Iulye, we wente into a schippe of
 Hardumetyne⁵. Ande whanne⁶ we biganne to sayle, we bere
 vppe aboute þo places of Asye; ande with vs dwelled
 3 Aristarcus Mecedonye of Thessalonye. Ande þo nexte day
 we come unto⁷ Sidon: and Iulye tref[t]ed⁸ Poule manly, and
 lete hym go to hise frendes, and forto do hise owne cure.
 4 Ande whanne we wente fro þepen⁹, we vndursayled Ciper, for
 5 þo wyndes wore contrariouse. Ande we, saylande þo see of
 Cylyce and Pamphile, in twelue days we come vnto¹⁰ Listran
 6 of Lycie. Ande þore þo centurion fonde a schippe of Aly-
 sawnder, schippande into Ytalye; & he putte vs in hit.
 7 Ande whanne we hade sailed slouly many dais, ande vneþes
 wore comen agayne Gwyde, for lettyng of þo wynde, we
 8 sayled vnto Crete biside Salomon; ande vneþe saylande
 biside into¹¹ a place þat es called Gode Porte (or, hauen), to
 9 þo whiche es nere¹² þo cyte of Thessal[a]¹³. Ande whanne
 longe tyme ande myche þan was passed, ande was no forþer
 siker schippyng ande saylyng, for þat þei haden longe
 10 fasted, Poule comforþed hem, sayande¹⁴, Men, I see þat wiþ
 iniurye ande myche harme noghte onely of þo charge þat es
 of þo schippe ande of þo schippe, [bot of oure lyues]¹⁵,
 11 bigynnes oure schipprode to be. Þo centurio trowed vnto¹⁶ þo
 guuernere of þo schippe ande to þo schipman more þanne
 12 to Poule[s] saynges¹⁷. Ande for þei haden noghte habul
 hauenynge forto wynter inne, þei toke þer counsel to go fro
 þepen¹⁸, if þei myghte on¹⁹ any wise come vnto²⁰ Phenycce, forto
 wynter at þo hauen of Crete, þo whiche was berande towarde
 13 Affriche, ande²¹ Chora. Bot whan þo souþe wynde blewe,
 whanne þei supposed to holde þer purpose, ande hade gone
 14 fro Assere ande hade passed Crete, noghte myche efter come

¹ in marg. C^m 27^m in a later hand, C. xxvii c^o in a xvith century hand, S.

² om. P. ³ bytaken S.P.D. ⁴ to S.P.D. ⁵ adroumyntyne S.P.D. *Vulg.* navem Adrumetinam. ⁶ om. S.P.D. ⁷ S.P.D. trefed C.

⁸ þeyn S.D. þen P. ⁹ fol. 69^b C. ¹⁰ nyȝ S.P. ¹¹ S.P.D. Thessa-
 lonye with onye expunged, C. ¹² fol. 180^b S. ¹³ S.P.D. vacant space
 of ½ inch, C. ¹⁴ poules seyenge S.P.D. ¹⁵ þen S.D. þeyn P.
¹⁶ & to S.P.D.

agayne hem a norþe-þeste wynde. Ande whanne þo schippe 15
was vppe-taken, ande myghte noghte enforce agayne þo
wynde, we gafe þo schippe to¹ þo wynde, ande þo wynde bere
vs. Ande so we come vnto an ile þat es named Cawda². 16
Ande vneþe myghte we gete þo kokbote: and whanne þis 17
was hade away, þei vœd³ helpinge, byndaule þo schippe;
dredande þat ne⁴ þei schulde falle into sande⁵ place: ande so
þei wore borne, while þe vessel was keste downe. [Ande] we 18
wore⁶ schaken wiþ⁷ a grete tempeste; ande þo⁸ toþer [day]⁹
þei keste oute of þo schippe þinges þat wore þerinne. Ande 19
vpon¹⁰ þo þridde day þei keste oute þe¹¹ armorye of þo schippe
wiþ þer hende, for noþer sonne nor mone nor sternes¹² appered 20
bi many daia. Ande grete tempeste was, ande þan was alle
hope of oure hele away. Ande whanne we longe hade fastud, 21
Poule stode ymyddes and saide, It behoued¹³, 3he men,
forto hers¹⁴ me (or, forto¹⁵ haue harde me), noghte to¹⁶ haue
passed fro Crete, ande forto haue wonnen þis losse¹⁷. Bote 22
jitte bes of gode¹⁸ herte: for losse¹⁹ schal²⁰ þer none²¹ be of²²
none of youre lifes, bot only of þo schippe. For þis nyghte 23
stode bi me þo awngel of God, whos I am, ande vnto²³ whom
I serue, ande saide, Poule, drede þe noghte, forto vnto²⁴ þo 24
cesar þe bihoues to come. Ande lo, God haues ginen vnto²⁵
þe²⁶ alle²⁷ þat ben in þo schippe wiþ þe. Ande þerfore, men, bes 25
of gode herte: for I trowe vnto²⁸ my God, þat so schal it be
as hit was saide vnto²⁹ me. Ande into an ile schal we come. 26
Bot efter þo fourten[d]le³⁰ nyghte was comen, and we wore 27
schippande in A-drye, aboute þo³¹ mydde-nyghte þo schipmen
supposed þat þei see a contre. Ande þei put þer plumbe 28
into þe see to knowe þo depnes of³² water; ande þei fonde
twenty paces. Ande whanne þei wore a lytel þen, þei fonde
xv pases. Ande for þei dredde þat þei schulde falle into 29
scharpe places, þei sende foure ankers oute of þo³³ schippe,

¹ *schyp* to repeated in marg. 1st corr. S. ² *canda* S.P.D. ³ om. S.P.
⁴ om. S.P.D. ⁵ *sondy* S.D. *þe sondy* P. *Vulg.* timentes ne in Syrtim
incident. ⁶ *& we were* S.P.D. *wore we* C. ⁷ fol. 70 C. ⁸ *at þe* S.P.D.
⁹ P; in marg. 1st corr. S. om. C.D. ¹⁰ *sterrye* S.P.D. ¹¹ *byhoueþ* P.
¹² *here* with *d* added and *hase* in marg. C. ¹³ *here we or forto* om. S.P.D.
¹⁴ fol. 131 S. ¹⁵ *lost* S.P.D. ¹⁶ om. P. ¹⁷ to S.P.D. ¹⁸ on
erasure, 1st corr. S. *þow* D. ¹⁹ *alle lyfes* S.P. ²⁰ *fourtenþe* S.P.D.
²¹ of þe S.P. ²² om. D.

30 ande ȝerned¹ þat day² wore comen. Ande whan þo schipmen
 wolden hafe fledde oute of þo schippe³, ande hade put oute þo
 31 bote of þe schippe into þe see as forto keste þer ankers, Poule
 saide 'vnto þo centurion ande to þe knyghtes', Bot if ȝhe be
 32 stille in þo schippe, ȝhe may noghte be saued⁴. Thanne þo
 knyghtus kutteden away þo cordes of⁵ þo boȝt, ande suffured
 33 hit to falle away. Ande whanne lyghthe biganne forto⁶ come,
 Poule preyde hem alle þat þei schulde ete sunnwhat, ande
 saide, þis es þo fourtende daye þat ȝhe hauen ben fastande,
 34 ande no mete haue ȝhe eten⁷ (or, taken). Wherefore I pray
 ȝowe to take summe meate for ȝoure hele: for a heer of none
 35 of ȝoure hedes schal perische. Ande whanne he hade saide
 þis, he toke brede ande þanked God in alle þer sighte. Ande
 36 whanne he hade broken þo brede ande biganne forto⁸ ete, þei
 wore made þo more herty ande toke mete also. þo men þat
 wore in þe schippe wore two hundrethe seuenty ande sexe.
 38 Ande whanne þei haden eten þer fille, þei allegid þo schippe,
 39 ande keste þo whete into þo see. Ande whanne day was
 comen, þei knew [noghte] þo londe⁹. Bot an arme þei
 bihelde, in þo whiche þei see as hit wore a banke. Ande
 40 þider þei þoghte, if þei myghte, to keste þo schippe. Ande
 whanne þei hade drawen vppe þo ankurs, þei putte hem
 vnto¹⁰ þe see, slakande þo iunctures fro þo gubernacle¹¹, &
 raised¹² a lytel sayle. Ande bi þo blaste of þo wynde þei
 41 wente vnto¹³ þo banke. Ande whanne we wore fallen into
 a place þer two sees mette, þei enpeched¹⁴ þo schippe; ande
 þo forþer partye of þo schippe stode¹⁵ stille. Bot¹⁶ þo schippe
 42 lowsed for strenkthe of þo see. Ande þo knyghtes gafe
 counseile, þat þoo þat wore vndure kepinge in þo schippe
 schulde be slayne, and þat þei schulde noghte skape awaye.
 43 Ande þo centurion, for he wolde þat Poule wore saued, for-
 bedde so to do. Ande he bade þat þoo¹⁷ þat couþe swymme
 schulde firste go vnto¹⁸ þo see, ande so skape ande come vnto¹⁹

¹ *desyryd* S.P.D.² *þe d. P.*³ *fol. 70^b C.*⁴ *om. S.P.D.*⁵ *saue* S.P.D.⁶ *þo cordes of om. S.P.D.*⁷ *to S.P.D.*⁸ *eten or**om. S.P.*⁹ *fol. 131^b S. to S.P.D.*¹⁰ *no lond* S.P.D.¹¹ *gubernacles P,**es added in a later hand, S.*¹² *reryd* S.P.¹³ *enpersched* S.P.D.¹⁴ *om. S.P.*¹⁵ *fol. 71 C.*¹⁶ *eche* S.P.

þo loude. Ande oþer toke bordes, and summe toke oþer 44
þinges þat wore of þo schippe. Ande so bifelle, þat þei alle
skaped vnto þo loude saufe¹, & none perished.

Ande² whanne we were skaped þanne knewe we þat þo : 28
loude þat we³ were onne was called þo ile of Mutilene.
Ande þo barbarise schewed myche manhede vnto⁴ vs, for þei 2
kindeld a fire, ande refresched vs, for þe rayne ande þo colde
þat was þanne. Ande whanne⁵ Poule hade gider[ed]⁶ stikkea, 3
andade hade layde hem vpon þo⁷ fire, a nedder come from þo
bete, and smote into his bonde. & whanne þo barbarise se 4
þo beste hongande⁸ in⁹ hise bonde, þei saide togider, For-
sothe he þis es a mansleare, for þuse he¹⁰ skaped fro þo see, he
es nohte suffurde no lenger to lyfe. Ande Poule smote þo 5
beste into þe fire, ande hade none harme. Ande þei supposed 6
þat he schulde bolne¹¹, ande sodenly falle downe ande dighe.
Ande whanne þei longe hade abiden, and seghe þat he hade
none harme, þei turned ande saide þat he was God. Ande in 7
þo places wore þe maners¹² of þo prince of þat ile, whos name
was Publyus; þo whiche receyued vs, ande¹³ benyngly re-
fresched¹⁴ vs three dais. Ande þo fader of þis prince laye in 8
þo fluoures ande in þo yuel þat es called dissintery: vnto¹⁵
whom Poule enterde. Ande whanne he hade layde vpon¹⁶
hym his hondes, he helud hym. Ande whanne þis was done, 9
alle þat wore in þo ile ande wore seke come vnto¹⁷ hym, ande
wore helud. Ande men of þat ile worschipped vs with 10
myche worschippe, ande gafe vs þat vs nedid vnto¹⁸ oure este-
schippinge. Ande efter three monythes we schipped in¹⁹ 11
a schippe of Alysawnder, þo whiche hade wynterde in þat
ile, ande hade fairnes of castels²⁰. Ande whanne we wore 12
comen to Syracuse, þere we dwelled three dais. Ande fro 13
þeþen²¹ we passed abowte, ande come vnto Regyum: ande
efter þo mydday whanne þo souþe blewe, þo secunde day we

¹ follows *scaped*, S.P.D. ² in marg. C^m 28^m in a later hand, C. ³ *xxviii c* in a xvith century hand, S. ⁴ in marg. 1st corr. S. ⁵ to S.P.D.
⁶ om. P. ⁷ *gaderyd a multitude* of S.P.D. ⁸ on þe S.D. ⁹ on D.
¹⁰ fol. 132 S. ¹¹ *hyngande* S.P.D. ¹² on S.P. ¹³ *he be* S.P.D.
¹⁴ *swelle* S.P.D. ¹⁵ *maystris* S.P.D. ¹⁶ om. S.P.D. ¹⁷ fol. 71^b C.
om. S.P.D. ¹⁸ on S.P.D. ¹⁹ into S.P.D. ²⁰ *Vulg. cui erat*
insigne Castorum. ²¹ þen S.P. þeyn D.

14 come to Puteolos: where we fonde breþer, ande þei preyd vs
 forto¹ dwelle wiþ hem seuen dais: ande so come we vnto¹
 15 Rome. Ande whanne þo breþer þers harde of oure comynge,
 þei come agayne vs vnto¹ þo merket of Appii, þo senator;
 ande whanne Poule se hem, he þanked God, ande toke gode
 16 traiste. Ande whanne we wore comen vnto¹ Rome, Poule
 was suffurd to dwelle wiþouten þo castels bi² hymselfen wiþ
 17 one³ knyghte to kepe hym. Ande efter þo thriddle daye he
 called togider þo firste of þo Iewes: ande whanne þei wore
 comen togider, he saide vnto¹ hem, 3he men⁴, breþer, I haue
 done no þinge agayne þo pupil of þo Iewes, or agayn eldar⁵
 doynge. Ande fro Ierusalem I am bitaken bownden into þo
 18 hende of þo Romaynes; & whanne þei hade aschinge of me,
 þei wolde haue laten me go, for þei fonde no cause of deþe in
 19 me. Ande for þo Iewes agayn-saide þat I schulde noghte be
 delyuerde, þerfore was I garte⁶ forto appele vnto¹ þo Cesar;
 20 noghte forto accuse my nacione. Ande for þis cause I praide
 forto see 3owe, ande forto speke wiþ 3owe: forwhi for þo
 hope of Israel I am vmgyuen⁷ (or, bounden) with þis cheyne.
 21 Ande þei saide vnto¹ hym, We toke neuer lettures fro þo
 Iewry of⁸ þe, nor none comande to vs haues tolde vs any
 22 dede or ille⁹ of þe. Bot we prey þe¹⁰, þat we may here of þe¹¹,
 what þow can ande felys. For of þo¹² secte es knowne þat in
 23 iche place hit es withstande. Ande whanne he hade sette
 hem a daye, many come vnto¹ hise hostage þer he dwelled;
 vnto¹ whom he expowned, witnessande þo kengdome of God,
 ande makande skilles to hem of Iesu, of þo lawe of Moisy,
 24 ande of þo prophetes, fro þo morne vnto þo euen¹³. Ande
 summe trowed vnto þoo¹⁴ þat he saide, ande summe trowed
 25 noghte. Ande whanne þei wore not assentande togider, þei
 lerned¹⁵ of Poule¹⁶ o worde þat wele¹⁷ þo Holigoste speke by
 26 Isaye þo prophete vnto¹ oure fadirs, sayande, Go to þis puple,

¹ to S.P.D.² fol. 132^b S.³ oute S.P.D.⁴ myn P.⁵ elders S.P.D. fol. 72 C.⁶ nedyd to S.P.D.⁷ vmgyuen or om. S.P.D.⁸ wiþ crossed through and of inserted above the line, D.⁹ yuel S.P.D.¹⁰ þe þe C.¹¹ of þe in marg. C.¹² þis S.P.D.¹³ to euen S.P.D.¹⁴ to þat S.P.D.¹⁵ lernyd of crossed through with wenten wey in marg. in

a later hand, S. wentyn here wey P.

¹⁶ seyenge follows, P.¹⁷ saynghe in a

later hand, in marg. S.

¹⁷ second e erased, S.

ande saye vnto¹ hem, þhe schal here wiþ ere, ande þhe schal
noghte vnderstande; ande þhe seande schal so², ande þhe
schal noghte biholde: for þo herte³ of þis puple es hardende⁴,²⁷
ande wiþ eres heuely þei han harde. Ande þer eyne þei han⁵
lokked togider; þat in aunter þei so noghte wiþ eyne, ande
here with erea, ande vndurstonde with herte, forto turne hem,
þat I hele hem. Ande þerfore be hit knowne vnto⁶ þowe, þat as
þis⁷ helfulle þinges⁸ es sende vnto⁹ naciones: ande þei schal
here hit. Ande Poule dwelled alle þat two þere in þat place³⁰
þat he hired, ande receyued alle þat come to hym, þo Iewes,
ande þo naciones³¹ þat wore called³² gentiles, prechande þo³³
kengdame of God, ande techande þinges³⁴ þat ben of oure
Lorde Iesu Criste wiþ fulle traiste wiþouten lettynge³⁵.

S. MATTHEW.

Matheu¹ seiþ in þe firste chaptyl on þis wyse in þe book : 1
of þe kynrede of Iesu Crist, þe sone of Dauid, þe sone of Abra-
ham. Abraham gate Ysaac, & Ysaac gate Iacob. Iacob 2
gate Iudam & his breþeren. Iudas gate Phares & Zaram of 3
Thamar. Phares gate Esron. Esron gate Aram. Aram gate 4
Amynadab. Amynadab gate Naason. Naason gate Salmon.
Salmon gate Booz of Raab¹². Booz gate Obed of Ruth. 5
Obed gate Iesse. Iesse gate Dauid þe kyng. Dauid þe kyng 6
gate Salomon of hire þat was Vryes wyf. Salomon gate 7
Roboam. Roboas gate Abyam. Abyas gate Asa. Asa gate 8
Iosaphath. Iosaphath gate Ioram. Ioram gate Ozyam.
Ozyas gate Ioathan. Ioathas gate Achas. Achaz gate 9
Ezechyam. Ezechyas gate Manassen. Manassen gate Amon. 10
Amon gate Iosyam. Iosyas gate Iechonyam. Iechonyas 11,12
gate Salatyel. Salatyel gate Zorobabel. Zorobabel¹³ gate 13
Abiud. Abiud gate Eliachym. Eliachym gate Azor. Azor 14
gate Sadoc. Sadoc gate Achym. Achym gate Eliud. Eliud 15

¹ to S.P.D. ² fol. 133 S. ³ hertys S.P.D. ⁴ hardyd S.P.D.
fol. 72^b C. ⁵ om. S.P.D. ⁶ is S.P.D. ⁷ es erased, S. ⁸ grekes P,
on erasure, 1st corr. S. ⁹ clepyd S.P.D. ¹⁰ Explicit follows, C.S.P.,
in marg. nearly erased, D. MS. C. ends here. ¹¹ fol. 1, heading,
Mathew D. ¹² ra on erasure, S. ¹³ rachab D. ¹⁴ fol. 133^b S.

gate Eleasar¹. Eleasar gate Mathan. Mathan gate Iacob.
 16 Iacob gate Ioseph þe housbonde of Marye, of whom was
 17 bore Iesus þe whuche is clepyd Crist. Alle þe kynredys fro
 Abraham to Dauid beþ fourtene; and fro Dauid to þe goynge
 oute of Babilon [fourtene; and fro þe goynge out of Babilon]²
 18 to Crist fourtene. Soply þe generacyoun (or, kynrede) of
 Crist was on þis manere: whan Marye þe moder of Iesu was
 weddid to Ioseph, or þei come to-gyder sche³ was founde
 19 hauynge in hire wombe of þe Holy Gost. For-soþe Ioseph
 hire housbonde, for he was ryztwys, he wolde not opynly
 20 sclawnder hire, but pryuely he wolde haue left hire. Soply
 whyle he was þenkyng⁴ þese þinges for-to leue his wyf, loo,
 an aungel of oure Lord apperyd to hym in sleep, seyenge,
 Ioseph, þe sone of Dauid, ne wyle þ[ou]⁵ not drede to take
 Marye þy weddid wyf: forsoþe þat þing þat is bore in hire
 21 is of þe Holy Gost. Soply sche⁶ schal bere a sone, & þou
 schalt nempne⁷ his name Iesus; forsoþe he schal make his
 22 puple safe fro þe synnys of hem. Soply þis was done, þat þat
 þing schulde be fulfild þe whuche was seyð by þe prophete,
 23 seyenge on þis wyse, Lo, a mayden schal haue in hire wombe,
 & sche⁸ schal bere a sone, & his name schal be clepyd
 Emanuel; þat is, God is wiþ us (or, God schal be wiþ us).
 24 Soply Ioseph rysynge up fro his sleep dide as þe aungel
 25 comawndid⁹ hym¹⁰, & he tooke Marye his wyfe; and he knewe
 hire not (þat is to seye, fleschly)¹¹ tul¹² sche¹³ bare hire sone
 first bygete: & sche clepyd his name Iesus.

2 1 Herfore¹⁴ whan Iesus was bore in Bethlem of þe Iewery
 in þe dayes of kyng Heroude, loo, þe kynges come fro þe est
 2 to Ierusalem, seyenge, Where is he þat is bore þe kyng of
 Iewys? soply we sawe a sterre of hym in þe est, & we
 3 come to wurschupe hym. Soply kyng Heroud herynge was
 4 troubyld in herte, & alle Ierusalem wiþ hym. & he gederyd
 alle þe princes of prestis & þe wyse men of þe puple, & he
 5 enqueryd of hem where Crist schulde be bore. And þei
 seyde to¹⁵ hym, In Betleem of þe Iewrye: for-why so it is

¹ fol. 1^b D.² D.³ þe P.⁴ þenkyng D.⁵ D. þe S.P.⁶ fol. 2 D.⁷ fol. 134 B.⁸ to him D.⁹ gloss om. P.¹⁰ to D.¹¹ Werfore P.¹² fol. 2^b D.

wryte by þe prophete, & þou Betleem, in þe lond of þe 6
Iewrye, þou art not leest in princes of þe Iewry (þat is to
seye¹, þou cyte Betleem, þou art not holde to be lest among
alle þe cytees of þe Iewry, but most of dignite): for sople out
of þe schal goo a dewke (a ledere), þe whuche schal gouerne
my peple Israel. þan pryuely Heroud callyd þe kynges, & 7
bysyly he enqueryd of hem þe tyme of þe sterre þe whuche
apperid to hem; & he seyde sendenge hem into Betlem, Goo 8
3e, & bysyly enquire 3ee of þe chylde; þat whan 3e haue
founnden hym, telle 3ee me a3eyn, þat I come & wurschupe
hym also. þese þre kynges, whan þei had herd þe kyng 9
Heroud, þei weute þer weye; & lo, þe sterre þat þei sawe in
þe² est wente byfore hem, vnto suche tyme þat it³ come &
stode aboue where þe chylde was. Sople þei seynge þe sterre 10
were ioyeful; & wiþ gret⁴ ioye þei entrede in-to þe hous & 11
fownden þe chylde wiþ Mary his moder; & þei felden⁵ down
worschypynge hym; & þei openyde þer tresoris & offrede to
hym 3yftys, gold & encense & myrre; & toke in slepe an 12
answere þat þei schulde not turne⁶ a3eyn by Herode. By
a-noþer weye þei turnyd a3eyn in-to her cuntrey. & whan 13
þei were gon a3eyn, lo, an angel of oure Lord apperyd to
Ioseph in his sleep, seyenge, Ryse up & take þe chylde & his
modir, & fle into Egypt, & be þere vn-to suche tyme þat
I warne to þee: for-soþe it is for-to come þat Herode sekep
þe chylde to lose⁷ (or, to sle) hym. þan Ioseph rysynge toke 14
þe chylde & his moder in þe nyȝt, & he wente in-to Egypt; &
he was þere vnto þe deyenge of Herode: þat þat⁸ schulde be 15
fulfylde þat was seyde of God by þe prophete, seyenge, Fro
Egypt I callyd my sone. þan Herode, seyng þat he was 16
bygyld of þe kynges, he was ful wroþ, & sende in-to Betlem,
& slow alle þe chyl dren þat were in Betlem & in alle þe
costys bysyde, þat were of two 3eer & wiþinne, after þe tyme
þat he hadde souȝt of þe kynges. & þanne was fulfilld þat 17
was seyð by Ieremye, A voyce was herd in hye, gretynge 18
& mychil waymentynge, Rachel wepyng her sones; and

¹ P. say in marg. later hand, S. om. D. ² om. D. ³ fol. 134^b S.

⁴ a gret D. ⁵ fellen P. ⁶ fol. 8 D. ⁷ leese P. ⁸ þe P.

19 sche¹ wolde not be comfortyd for þei were noȝt (quic)². þus
 when Herode³ was deed, loo, an aungel of oure Lord appered
 20 to Ioseph in sleep in Egypt, seyenge, Ryse & take þe chyld &
 þe moder of hym, & go in-to þe lond of Israel: for soþly þei
 21 beþ deed⁴ þat souȝte þe chyldes lyf. & Ioseph roos & toke
 þe chyld & his moder, & he come into þe lond of Israel.
 22 Soþly he herynge þat Archelaus⁵ regned in þe Iude for
 Herode his fadir, he dredde for hym to go þider. & Ioseph
 was amonestyd in his sleep by an aungel how he schulde go
 23 in-to þe partyȝ (þat is, to þe cuntrey) of Galyle, & come
 & duellyd in a cytee þe whuche is called Nazareth: þat þat
 þing schulde be fulfylde þat was seyde by þe prophetys, For-
 soþe, he schal be called Nazarene (þat is to seye, holy).

3 1 Soþly⁶ in þo dayes Ion baptist come, prechyng in þe
 2 wyldernes (or, in þe desert) of þe Iewrye, & seyenge, Do ȝe
 penawnce; for soþly þe kyngdom of heuene schal come nȝ.
 3 Soþly þis is he of whom it was seyde by Ysaie þe prophete,
 seyenge, A voyce of a cryere in wildernesses, make ȝe redy
 þe weye of oure Lord. Make⁷ ȝe ryȝt stretis⁸ (or elles,
 4 streȝte þe weyes) of hym. Soþly he Ion had cloþinge of þe
 heer of camels, & a gyrdil of a skyn aboute his lendes; soþly
 5 his mete⁹ was hony-sokkles & hony of þe wode. þan wente
 out to hym Ierusalem, & al þe Iewry, & al þe cuntrey aboute
 6 Iurdane; & þei were baptyzed of hym in Iordan, schryuyng
 7 here synnys. Soþly he seyng many of þe Pharysees & of þe
 Saduceus comyng to þe baptem, he seyde to hem, ȝe
 kynredes of þe nedderis, who schewyd to ȝow for-to fle fro þe
 8 wraþþe þat is for-to come? Do ȝe worþi fruyte of penawnce:
 9 & wyle ȝe not sey wiþinne ȝoure-self (þat is, in ȝoure hertys),
 We haue a fader Abraham: soþly¹⁰ I sey to ȝow, þat God is
 10 myȝty of þise stonys to rere¹¹ þe sones of Abraham. Soþly
 now þe ax is sett to þe rote of þe tree: þerfore eche tree þe
 whuche makeþ not good fruyt it schal be kutt downe, & it
 11 schal be sent in-to þe fyre. For-soþe I baptyze ȝow in water

¹ ȝhe P.² underlined, S.P.D.³ fol. 3^b D.⁴ fol. 135 S.⁵ archelaus S.P. n expunged, S.⁶ C^m 3^m in marg. S. C^m 3 D.⁷ fol. 4 D.⁸ þe str. D.⁹ te above the line, S.¹⁰ fol. 135^b S.¹¹ rere up P.

in-to penawnce: soþly he þat is for-to come after me is¹
 stal-worþere þan I, whoos² schoo I am not worþi to bere³:
 soþly he schal baptyze 3ow in þe Holy Gost & in fyre: whos⁴ 12
 wyndel⁵ is in his honde, & he⁶ schal clense fully his korne;
 & he schal gedere his korne in-to his berne, & soþly þe chaff
 he schal brenne in a fyre þat may not be slekked. Þanne 13
 come Iesus fro Galyle in-to Iordan to Ion, þat he schulde be
 baptyzed of hym. Soþly Ion forbeed hym, seyenge, I fel to 14
 be baptyzed of þee, & þou comest to me? Soþly Iesus 15
 ansuerynge seyde to hym, Suffre now: for on þis manere it
 bysemeth us for-to fulfille al ryȝtwysnesse. Þan he lyte hym
 (or⁷, suffred hym). Soþly Iesus baptyzed wente soone up fro 16
 þe water: & lo, þe heuenes were opene, & he saw þe Spiryte
 of God comynge down as a doufe upon hym; & lo, a voyce of 17
 heuene seyenge, þis is my Sone wel loued, in whom I am wel
 plesed.

Þanne Iesus was led in-to desert þorow a spiryte þere he 4
 schulde be temptyd of þe deuel. And whanne he had 2
 fastyd fourty dayes & fourty nyȝtys, afterward he hungred⁸.
 & þe temptere comynge to hym seyde to hym, If þou art 3
 Godes sone, sey þat þise stones be maade loues. Crist 4
 ansuerynge seyde, It is wryte þat not onlyche in⁹ breed
 lyueþ man, but in eche word þat cometh of Godes mouþ. Þan 5
 þe fende toke hym in-to þe holy cyte; & putte hym aboue þe
 penacle of þe temple, & seyde to Crist, If þou art Godes sone, 6
 send¹⁰ þy-self¹¹ adowne¹²: soþly it is wryte of þee, for God bad
 his aungelys of Crist to kepe þe¹³ in here hondys, as in
 awntyre þou herte þi foot to þe stone. Iesus seyde to hym, 7
 Eft it is wryte, þou schalt not tempte þe Lord þi God. Eft 8
 þe fend toke hym in-to a ful hyȝ hille, & he schewed to hym
 alle þe kyngdomes of þe worlde, & þe ioye of hem; & seyde 9
 to hym, Alle þese þinges I schal zeue þee¹⁴, jif þou falle
 & loute [to]¹⁵ me. And þanne seyde Iesus to þe fend, Go 10

¹ fol. 4^b D. ² *was* D. ³ crossed out, with *vnbynde* in marg. in a later hand, S. *vnbynde* P. ⁴ crossed through, with *wynnue* in marg. in a later hand, S. *wynnuce* P. ⁵ om. P. ⁶ *lyte hym* or crossed through, S. om. P. ⁷ fol. 5 D. ⁸ fol. 136 S. ⁹ *þe schulde make* D, in S. crossed through with *send* in marg., in a later hand. ¹⁰ *hymself* D., corrected to *þyself*, S. ¹¹ *a* on erasure, S. *downe* D. ¹² on erasure, S. *him* D. ¹³ to þee D. ¹⁴ P

away, Sathanas; for it is wryte, þe Lord þi God þou schalt
 11 worschupe, & to hym one þou schalt serue. þan þe fend
 leste Crist; & lo, goode aungelys comyn to hym & serued to
 12 hym. Whan Iesus herde þat Ion was put in-to prysoun, he
 13 jede in-to Galyle; & þe¹ cyte of Nazareth leste, he come
 & duellyd in Capharnaum, by-syde þe see, in þe cuntreyes
 14 of Zabulon & of Neptalym: þat it schulde be fulfylde þat
 15 was seyde by Ysaye þe prophete, Lond of Zabulon & lond of
 Neptalym, þe wey of þe see byzonde Iordane, of þe folke of
 16 Galyle; þe folke þe whuche jede in derkenesse sawe gret
 lyzt, & to þe syttinge in þe rewme of schadowe of deep, lyzt
 17 was rysen to hem. After þat Iesus bygan to preche, & seyde,
 Do 3e penawnce; for soþly, þe kyngdom of heuene schal come
 18 nyȝ. & soþly Iesus wente by-syde þe se of Galile. He sawe
 two breþeren, Symon þe² whuche is cleped Peter, & Andrew
 his broþer, puttynge a nett in-to þe see; soþly þei were
 19 fyscheris. & he seyde to hem, Come 3e after me, & I schal
 20 make 3ow to be fyscherys of men. & þei a-noon leste þer
 21 nettes & þe schyp, & sueden hym & he wente forþ fro³ þen
 & saw oþer two, Iame þe sone of Zebede, & Ion his broþer, in
 schype wiþ Zebede þer fader, makynge redy þer nettys; &
 22 he clepyd hem. Soþly þei left þer nettys &⁴ her fader,
 23 & folowed hym. & Iesus wente aboute al⁵ Galyle, prechyng
 & techynge hem in here synagoges þe gospel of þe kyngdom
 of heuene, & helynge alle sorowes & alle sekenesse in þe
 24 peple. & þe knowynge of hym wente in-to al Sirry: & þei
 offred to hym alle haunyng yuel, in dyuers sekenes & tor-
 mentys taken, & þo þat hadde fendus wiþ-inne hem, & hem
 þat were lunatyke, & men þat had þe palsy, & he helyd hem.
 25 & many companyes sueden hym, & men of Galyle, & of
 Decapoly (þat is to seye, of þat cuntrey þat hadde ten cytees)⁶,
 & of Ierusalem, & of þe Iewry, & of men fro ouer Iordane.
 5 1 Soþly Crist seyng þe peple, he wente up in-to an hylle:
 & whan he had sette hym downe, his discyplys come to hym:
 2,3 & he openynge his mowþe tauȝt⁷ hem, seyenge, Blessyd be

¹ om. P. fol. 5^b D. ² fol. 130^b S. ³ fro twice, D. ⁴ fol. 6 D.

⁵ om. P.

⁶ underlined, S.P.

⁷ tauȝt in marg. 1st corr.; in text tauȝte in a late hand on erasure, S. tauȝte P. techinge D.

pore in speryte: for here is þe rewme of heuenea. Blessyd 4
 be þe mylde: for þei schal haue þe lond of lyf. Blessyd be 5
 þei þat waylen: for þei schal be comfortyd. Blessyd be þei 6
 þat hungren & þrusten ryztwysnes: for þei schal be fulfyllid.
 Blessyd be mercyful men: for¹ þei schal swe mercy. Blessyd 7,8
 be men of clene herte: for þei schal se God. Blessyd² be 9
 peayble men: for þei schal be cleped Godes chyldren.
 Blessyd be þey³ þat suffren purswyng for ryztwysnes: for 10
 here is þe rewme of heuenea. Blessyd schal 3e be whan þat 11
 men schal curse 3ow, & whan þei haue purswed 3ow, & whan
 þei haue seyd al yuel azeyns 3ow, lyzenge, for me. Ioye 3e, 12
 & be glad: for 3oure hyre is muche in heuene: soþly so þei
 haue purswed þe prophetis þat were byfore 3ow. 3e beþ salt 13
 of þe erþe: & 3if þe salt vanysche away, in what þing schal þe
 erþe be saltyd? þis salt is not worþi after, but to be cast
 oute & be defoulyd of men. 3e ben lyst of þe world. A 14
 cytee sett on an hylle may not be hyd. Nor men lyste not 15
 a lanterne & putte it vndir a buschel, but þei sette it on
 a kandelsteke, þat it 3eue lyst to alle þat beþ in þe hous.
 & so schyne 3oure lyst byfore men, þat þei se 3oure goode 16
 werkes, & so þanke 3oure Fadir þat is in heuene. Wele 3e 17
 not gesse þat I come to lose⁴ þe lawe ne prophetys: I come
 not to vn-do hem, but for-to fylle hem. Soþly I seye to 3ow, 18
 To þat heuene & erþe passe, an i ne a tytyl schal not passe
 fro þe lawe byfore alle þinges be done. Þerfore⁵ who doþ not 19
 on of þe leeste comawndementis, he schal be cleped leest in
 þe kyngdom of heuene; and soþly he þat doþ þes comawnde-
 mentes & techeth⁶, he schal be cleped greet in þe kyngdom of
 heuene. Soþly I sey to 3ow, But if 3oure ryztewysnes 20
 habounde more þan of⁷ þese⁸ wyse men of þe⁹ lawe & of¹⁰
 þe Pharyseus, 3e schal not entre in-to þe kyngdom of
 heuene. Soþly 3e haue herd þat it is seyd to men of þe olde 21
 lawe, þou schalt not sle; forsoþe he¹¹ þat sleþ, he schal be
 coupable in þe dome; soþly I sey to 3ow, þat who-so¹² is wroþ 22

¹ fol. 187 S.² fol. 6^b D.³ 3e D. þ. y added later, S.⁴ lese P.⁵ fol. 7 D.⁶ techeth hem D.⁷ of scribis P, in late hand, in marg. S.⁸ þe P; þese...lawe underlined, S.P.⁹ fol. 187^b S.¹⁰ above the

line, S. om. D.

¹¹ in margin, S.¹² þat P.

to his broþer, he schal be gylty to¹ þe dome; soþly he þat
 haþ seyd² to his broþer, Raca, he schal be gylty to¹ þe
 counseyl; soþly he þat haþ seyd³ to his broþer, þou foole, he
 23 is worþi þe fyre of helle. þerfore if þou brynge þi zifte to þe
 auter, & þere þou hast byþouzt þee þat þi broþer haþ sum
 24 þinge aȝeyns þee, leue þi zifte þere byfore þe auter, & go
 ferst to be reconsyled to þi broþer (þat is, be at on wiþ þi
 25 broþer), & þanne þou schalt come & offre þi zifte. Be þou
 assentyng soone to þyn enemy, þe whylis þou art in þe wey
 wiþ hym, en awnter þyn enemy take þee to þe domus-man,
 & þe domes-man bytake þee to þe jayleer, &⁴ þou be putt
 26 in-to prysoun. Soþly I sey to þee, þou schalt not go oute
 27 fro þi prysoun, to þou hafe ȝeue aȝeyn þe leste ferþing. Ȝe
 haue herd þat it was seyd to þe olde men, þou schalt not do
 28 auowtrye: soþly I sey to ȝow, þat eche man þat haþ sey
 a womman & coueyte⁵ for-to haf hire, he haþ don⁶ auowtrye
 29 wiþ hire in his herte. If it so⁷ be þi ryzt eyze sclawndir þee,
 drawe it oute, & caste it fro þee: for soþly it is more
 spedynge to þee þat one of þi membres per-sche, þan al þi
 30 body be sente in-to helle. & ȝif þi ryzt hond sclawnder þee,
 kutte it a-wey, & caste it fro þee: for soþly it spedep to þee,
 þat rapere on of þi membris persche⁸ þan al þi body go in-to
 31 helle. Soþly it is seyd to olde men, Whoso lefep his wyf,
 32 hym byhouep ȝefe to hire a lybel of forsakyng: soþly y⁹ sey
 to ȝow, þat eche man þat lefep his wyf, outetake cause of
 fornycasyoun, he makeþ hire to do avowtrye: & he þat
 weddep hire þat is left of hire housbonde, he¹⁰ dop avowtrye.
 33 Eft ȝe hafe herd þat it was seyd to þe olde men, þou schalt
 34 not forswere þee, for þou schalt ȝefe to God þi swerynge: but
 soþly it is seyd¹¹ to ȝow noȝt to swere in eny manere; neyþer
 35 by heuene, for it is þe¹¹ trone of God; neyþer by þe erþe, for
 it is scaffold of his feet; noyþer by Ierusalem, for it is þe
 36 cyte of þe grete Kyng. Nor þou schalt not swere by þin
 heuyd, for þou mayst not make one heer whȝit or blak.

¹ on erasure, 1st corr. S. in D. ² seȝþ for haþ seyd, P. ³ fol. 7^b D.

⁴ coueytiþ D. ⁵ dop P. ⁶ so it P. ⁷ fol. 188 B. ⁸ it (changed into y) is (dotted out) sey with erasure of d, B. ⁹ om. D. ¹⁰ I sey D.

¹¹ D ends with for it is þe written as catchwords at the bottom of fol. 7^b.

Soply youre worde schal be, *ye, ye*; or *nay, nay*; soply what *37*
 so is more þan þis, it is of yuel. *3e* hafe herd þat it was seyde, *38*
 Eyge for eyge, & a toþ for a toþ (þat is to seye, a man schulde
 be punysched in þe same membre in þe whuche he disseyfede
 his neygebores)¹: but soply I sey to 3ow nouȝt to² wipstonde *39*
 þe yuel: but whoso smyteþ þee in þe ryȝt cheke, gif to hym
 þe³ toþer. & whoso wyle stryue wip þee in þe dome, & take *40*
 fro þee þi kote, lefe þou to hym also þi palle. & whoso *41*
 angrep þee a þousande paas, go wip hym oþer two þousande.
 And whoso wyle borowe of þee, ne turne þou not away. *3e 42, 43*
 hafe herd þat it was tolde to olde men, þou schalt loue þi
 frend, & þou schalt hate þin enemy. But⁴ soply I sey to 3ow, *44*
 Loue 3e 3owre enemyes, do 3e good to hem þat haten 3ow, &
 preye 3e for hem þat purswen 3ow, & chalange 3ow falsly⁵; þat *45*
 3e⁶ be þe sones of 3oure Fadir þat is in heuene, þat makeþ
 his sunne sprynge on goode men & yuele, & reyneþ up-on
 iuste men & vniuste. For if 3e louen hem þat loueþ 3ow, *46*
 what meede schal 3e haue? siþ puplycans don þus. & if 3e *47*
 greten only 3oure breþeren, what schal 3e do more? Ne don
 not heþene men þus? þerfore be 3e parfytte, as 3oure Fadir *48*
 of heuene is parfytte. & take 3e heede þat 3e do not 3oure *6*
 ryȝtwysnesse byfore men, to be seyn of hem: for elles schal
 3e haue no mede at 3oure Fadir þat is in heuene. And *2*
 þerfore whan þou dost þyn almes, nele þou not trumpe byfore
 þee, as ypocritys don in synagoges & stretis, for-to be wor-
 schuped of men. Soply I sey to 3ow, þei haue resseyuyd
 here mede. But whan þou dost þyn almes, loke þi lyft syde *3*
 wyte nouȝt what þi ryȝt syde doþ: þat þyn almes be in hyd: *4*
 & þi Fader þat seþ in hyd schal 3eue þee hyre⁷.

And⁸ whan 3e preyzen, 3ee schal not ben as ypocritys, *5*
 þat louen to stonde in churches & in kornerys of stretys
 to preye, for-to ben seyn holy⁹ of men. Soply I sey to 3ow,
 þese men han resceyued here mede. But þou, whan þou *6*
 schalt preye, entre in-to þi couche, & schytt þe dore, & pray
 by Fader, and by Fader þat seþ in hyd schal 3elde þee þi
 meede. Soply 3e prayenge wele 3e not speke mychyl, as *7*

¹ *gi* as underlined, S.P.² *om.* P.³ *þ* P.⁴ fol. 138^b S.⁵ *mede* P.⁶ new paragraph with initial, S.P.⁷ underlined, S.

heþyn men¹ doþ, for soþly² þei wene þat þei schule be herd in
 8 hire myche speche. Þerfore wele 3e³ noȝt be lyckenyd to
 hem; for-why 3owre heuenly Fader wot what þing is nedeful
 9 to 3ow, byfore þat 3ee aske hym. Þerfore 3ee schal preye on
 þis manere: Oure Fader þat art in heuene, halewed be þi
 10 name. þi kyngdom come to us. þi wyll be don, as in
 11 heuene, & in erþe. Oure eche dayes breed 3eue us to day.
 12 & forȝeue us oure dettys, as we forȝeue oure dettourys.
 13 And ne⁴ lede us not in temptacyon, but delyuere us of yuel.

A-M-E-N.

¹ h...n men on erasure, in a later hand, S. ² fol. 139 S. ³ om. P.
⁴ expunged, S. om. P.

APPENDIX I.

The Catholic Epistles of MS. Bodl. Douce 250.

JAMES.

1. ¹Iamys^a þe seruaunt of God & of oure Lord Iesu Criste, to þe twelue kynredis þat beþ spred a-brode, gretynge wel. ²My deere breþeren, wite þee & hopeþ alle ioye whanne þat þe been in many temptacyouns, ³wite þee wel þat prouynge of youre seiþ worcheþ pacyenca. ⁴Pacience soþeliche haþ a parfite worke, þat þee be parfite & hole, faylynge in no þinge. ⁵& whuche of þow so haþ nede of wysdom, aske of God þat geueþ plentyuously to alle, & withstonde him nouȝte, & it schal be þowe to him. ⁶Aske he soþely in seiþ, nouȝte faylynge: for soþely he þat is faylynge (þat is, faylynge in þe seiþ)^b he is lyke to þe flowynge of þe see þe whuche is meuyd wiþ þe wynde & bore a-boute. ⁷& þerfore trowe he noȝt þat is suche a man eny þinge to take of God. ⁸A man of double wille is vnstable in alle weyea. ⁹Soþely make he ioye þat is a meke broþer in his hye stata, ¹⁰a riche man soþely make ioye in his mekenesse. For as þe floure of þe heyȝe schal he passe. ¹¹Soþely þe sunne wiþ his hete dryeþ the heyȝe; [& hi]s^c floure fallith, & þe fayrnesse of his semblante peryschip: so schal þe riche man in his weyes wexe drye.

¹²Blessid is þat man þat suffreþ temptacyon: for whanne he is prouyd, he schal take þe coroune of lyf þat God haþ byhote to hem þat louen him. ¹³No man whan he is temptud seiþ, I am tempted of God: soþely God is an vntemptar of wicked men, soþely he tempteþ no man. ¹⁴But echone for-soþe is temptyd [f. 58^b], of his desyris wiþ-drawn, & oute of himself ledde. ¹⁵& so whan wille haþ conseyuyd, it bryngeþ forþ synne: soþely synne whan it is endyd engendereþ deef. ¹⁶& þerfore, my lefe breþeren, ne wele þee noȝt erre. ¹⁷Alle þe beste þing þat is geue & alle parfite ȝefte it is from a-boue, comynge down from þe Fadir of lyȝte, wiþ whom is no chaungynge, ne no derknesse of synne. ¹⁸Soþely wiþ his good fre wille he gate us þurgh þe word of soþfastnesse, þat we be some bygynnyng of his creature. ¹⁹Wyte þee, my deere loued breþeren, be euery man smert for-to here & late for-to speke & late vn-to yre: ²⁰soþely þe wrappe of man wurcheþ noȝt þe riȝtwisnesse of God. ²¹& þerfore kastynge a-wey alle vnclennesse & abundaunce of malice, [in]^d myldenesse takeþ to drynke þe word, þat may saue youre soulia.

^a MS. Douce 250 f. 58.

^c MS. defaced here.

^b Underlined in red ink.

^d MS. &.

²²Beþ also doeres of þe word & wyrcheres, but not only þe hereres, disceyuyng þe youre-selfe. ²³For who-so is herere of Godes worde, & not doere, he may be lykkened to a man þat byldeþ þe semblaunt of his birþe in a myroure: ²⁴he byhelde him soply, & jede a-wey, & a-noon he haþ forȝete what he was. ²⁵For-soþe he þat lokeþ in þe lawe of parfite frenesse, and dwelliþ þer-inne, he is not maked a forȝetful hyrer, but a doere of þe worke: here in his deede he schal be blessid. ²⁶Sopely who-so wenyþ him-self þat he be religyous, noȝt wiþ-holdynge his tunge but disseyuyng his herte, veyne is his religyoun. ²⁷Clene religioun & vnfiled as [f. 59] to God & þe Fadur is þis, to rysite sadurles children, & wydows in here tribulacyoun, & from al þis worlde to kepe hem clene, vnfoyled.^a

2. ¹My breþeren, ne wele ȝe noȝt be oute-takeres of persones (þat^b is, take mannys persone in more state a-ȝens God for his hye kyn, ne for his riches, ne powere in þis worlde, hauynge feiþ þat God takeþ more hede to hem for here gentil kyn, or here grete riches, or here muchel myȝt, or here sotil witte þan he doþ to þe pore þat loueþ him as welles).^c ²& þerfore if eny man come in-to ȝoure sȝt (that is, in-to ȝoure cumpenye þat beþ Godes religiouse men in what degre so ȝe be)^d, þe whuche haþ gold rynges on his synger & schynynge cloþus, & anoþer pore man in symple & feble cloþynge come also to ȝow; ³& ȝe take hede to him þat is in schynynge cloþynge, & ȝe sey to him, Sitte þou here wel a-boue; & soþely to þe pore ȝe seye, Þou stonde þere, or sitte vnder þe stole of oure fete; ⁴in þis ȝoure-self beþ demed, & ȝee beþ maked iustises of ȝoure wickede þouȝtes.

⁵Hereþ & take hede, my ful welle loued breþeren; ne, haþ not God chosen þe pore in þis worlde to be riche in þe feiþ, & eyres of þe kyngdom, þat God haþ by-hȝyt to alle þat him loueþ. ⁶& soþly ȝee vnworschupe þe pore. Ne ouerlye [f. 59^b] nouȝt þe riche ȝow þorow here power? & þei drawe ȝow to domes. ⁷Ne blasfeme þei nouȝt þe goode name þat is ouer ȝow called? (þat is, cristene men of Criste)^d. ⁸Nouȝt forþi if þou fulfille þe kynges lawe of heuene astir holy writte, þou schalt loue þi neyȝebore ryȝt as þi-self, þan þou doost wel, ⁹soþeli if ȝee any mennys persones accepte, þan ȝee doon gret synne, & ȝee schal be blamyd of God as trespasseres aȝeyn þe lawe. ¹⁰Who-so euere soply keepe al þe lawe, & trespassen in o þinge, þat is forbodyn in þe lawe, he is maked gilty of alle. ¹¹For he þat bad ȝow not synne in leccherye, he bad þat þou schuldest not slee. If þat þou do no leccherye, and sleist any man, þou art þanne trespassere & brekere of þe lawe. ¹²So speke ȝee, & so dowte ȝee, so þat by þe lawe of frenes (þat is, þe lawe of mercy)^d ȝee schal mowe be demed. ¹³For soþly to him þat dooþ no mercy schal be doune wiþ-oute mercy: but soþly mercy ouerȝoþ dome. ¹⁴What schal profyte to man, my lef breþeren, ȝif eny seye þat he haþ feiþ, & he soþely haue nouȝt þe deede? ne may not feiþ saue him? ¹⁵Soþly if eny broþer or sister ben naked, & neden eche day sustyniaunce, ¹⁶and if eny of ȝow sey to hem, God forþ in pees, & be ȝee hole & ȝee fedde; & ȝee ȝeue hem nouȝt þat nedeful is to here body, what schal it profyte hem?

^a Capitulum ii follows.
^c underlined in red ink.

^b gl... in margin.
^d underlined in MS.

¹⁷Ryzt [f. 59^c] so feiþ, if it haue nouyt deedia, it is dede in it-self. ¹⁸But some seiþ, þou hast feiþ, & I haue dedis : schewe me þi feiþ wiþ-outen werkes, & I schal schewe þe my feiþ þorow my werkes. ¹⁹þow trowest þat þer is o God, þou doost weel : & deueles trowe it & quaken. ²⁰þou veyne man, wilt þou wite, how þat feiþ wiþ-outen werkes is deed ? ²¹Abraham oure fadur ne was he nouyt þorw his werkes maked ryztwyse, offerrynges Ysaac his sone on an auter ? ²²Lo, hou feiþ was wrouyt þorow his deedia, & þorow werkes feiþ is endid ; ²³& þe scripture is fulfillid þat seiþ, Abraham trowed to God, & it is putt him to ryztwysnesse ; & he is clepid Godis freend. ²⁴Now se se how þat man is maked ryztwyse þorow his werkes, & nouyt only þorow feiþ. ²⁵On þe same wyse also Raab þe hore ne is sche not maked rytwyse þorow here werkes*, takynges messageres, & by oþer weye kastynges a-wey wickednesse ? ²⁶Soply ryzt as þe body wiþ-outen þe soule is deed, so is feiþ wiþ-outen good werkes deed.

3. ¹My deere breþeren, ne wyle ye not be maked many maystria, wytynges þat see take þe more dome. ²We alle forsoþe haue offendid in many þingis. Who-so trespassiþ not in his word, he is here a parfyt man ; he may al-so wiþ a brydul lede a- [f. 59^d] boutte al his body. ³Sopely if we putte brydulis in mowþes of horses to make hem to be at oure wille, we beren a-boute al þe body of hem. ⁴& thouȝ it so be þat scheppis be grete & wiþ grete wyndis þei been dreuen, sobly wiþ a lytul sterc, wiþ hasty gouernynges of him þat ledeþ it, it is bore a-boute. ⁵Ryzt so þe tunge soply a litul membre it is, & gret þinges it makeþ hye. Loo, how litul fyre how grete a wode it brenneþ ! ⁶And oure tunge is fyre, is alle manere of wickednes ; þe tunge is ordeyned in oure membris, þe whuche defouliþ al þe body ; & it brenneþ þe roote of oure birþe in flawme of helle fyre. ⁷Sopely alle þe kyndes of bestes, & of foules, & of nedderis, & of alle opere, beþ maked tame & beþ tamed of mankynde : ⁸sopely tunge no man may make tame, ful of vnpeisibyle yuel & deedly venym. ⁹In it we blesse oure Fadur God, & in it we mysseye men, þat aftir þe ymage of God beþ maked : ¹⁰& of þat same mowþe goþ forþe blissynges & cursynges. My breþeren, it is not by-houeful þat þese þinges so be. ¹¹Ne oute of þe hole of a welle ne goþ nouyt forþe bittir watir & swete to-gedur ? ¹²My breþeren, þe fyge-tre ne may not brynges forþe grapes, or þe vyne-tre fyges : so no more may salt watur make swete watur. ¹³Who-so is wyse & wel tauȝt [f. 60] a-monges þow, schewe he of his goode lyuynge his werke in myldenesse of wysdome. ¹⁴ȝif þat see haue bittir loue & stryuynges in þoure hertis, ne make see no ioye & be lyeres azens soþfastnes. ¹⁵Sopely þis wysdom is not comynge from a-boue, but erþely, bestlyche, deuellyche. ¹⁶Forsoþe wherso enuye is & strif, þer is vnstabulnes & eche schrewed deede. ¹⁷Sopely þat wytte þat is of a-bouen first forsoþe it is clene, & aftur þat peysibyle, mylde to a-moneste, assentynges to þe goode, ful of mercy & of good fruyte, schewynges wiþoute fals colourynges. ¹⁸Sopely þe fruyte of ryztwysnes is sownen in pees to hem þat dooþ pees.

4. ¹Where-of comeþ bataylis & stryues amonges þow ? ne comeþ þei

* nota in margin.

not of youre desyris þat fyttten in youre membres? ¹3ee desyre & 3ee ne haue it noȝt: 3e slee, & 3ee haue enuye, & 3ee may not gete it: 3ee streuen & 3eeuen batayle, & 3ee ne haue it nouȝt wherfore þat 3ee aske. ²3ee asken & 3ee gete it not, for as muchel as 3ee yuel aske, to dwelle stille in youre desyres. ³Auoutoures, ne wite 3ee not þat lous of þis worlde is enmy to God? whoso-euere þerfore wolde be frend of þis worlde, he is ordeynyd þe enmy of God. ⁴Or ellis wene 3ee þat holy writte be seyde in-veynelyche? to enuy desyreþ þe sperit þat in 3ow dwelleþ. [f. 60^b] ⁵Sopely þe more grace he 3eueþ. Wherfore seiþ holy writte, God wiþstonðiþ þe proude, sopely to meke he 3eueþ grace. ⁶Be 3ee þerfore sogettes to God: & soply wiþstondeþ þe deuel, & he schal fleo fro 3ow. ⁷Neyȝeþ ny to God, & wole come to 3ow. Makeþ clene youre synful hondis, and clenseþ youre hertes þat beþ of double wille. ⁸Be 3e nedy, & makeþ sorowe, & wepeþ, & turneþ youre lauytre in-to sorowe, & youre ioie in-to mornynge. ⁹Make 3ow meke in þe syȝt of God, & he wole make 3ow hye ¹⁰in life wiþ outen ende. ¹¹Ne bakbyteþ none of 3ow oþer, my dere breþeren; who-so bakbyteþ his broþer, or demeþ his broþer, he bakbyteþ þe lawe, & demeþ þe lawe: sopely if þow deme þe lawe, þow art not a doere of þe lawe, but a domes-man. ¹²On þer is 3euer of þe lawe & a domes-man, þe whuche may boþe saue & lese: ¹³þow soply, what art þow þat demest þi neizebore? Lo, 3ee þat now seye, To day or to morowe schal we goo in-to þat cytee, & sopely a 3ere wele we þer dwelle, & to marchaundise, & þer we wile gete wynnyng: ¹⁴þat knoweþ not what to morwe schal falle. ¹⁵Sopelyche whuche is oure lyfe? Nouȝt but breþe þat lytul whyle lasteþ & scheweþ, & also sone it is ended. Þerfore 3e may seye, If God wule, or, If I leue we schal do þis or þat. ¹⁶Now 3ee make ioie in youre prides, [f. 61] sopeliche alle suche ioie is wicked. ¹⁷Þerfore whoso can do wel & doþ not, it is synne to him.

5. ¹Do 3ee now, riche men, make sorwe & wepeþ in youre wrecchednes þe whuche schal come vn-to 3ow. ²Roten beþ maked youre riches, and youre cloþus wiþ mothes beþ frette. ³3oure golde & 3oure seluer rust haþ ouer-goo; & þe ruste of hem schal be a-geynus 3ow in wittnes & schal ete youre flesche as it were þe fyre. 3ee make 3ow a tresorye of wrappe in þe laste dayes. ⁴Lo, þe hire of youre hyrid men & of youre seruauantis þat þei traueiled fore in 3oure seruice, þe whuche fro hem 3e haue wiþ-holden & defrauded, crieþ: & þe cry of hem entrede in-to þe eres of God almyȝty. ⁵Fat fedde 3ee beþ upon erþe, & in leccheries 3e nursched youre hertes in day of sleynge. ⁶3ee brouȝte forþe & slowe þe rystwyse, & he wiþstod 3ow nouȝt. ⁷& þerfore, breþeren, beþ sufferynge for þe comynge of oure Lord. Lo, þe tilyere abideþ þe precyouse frute of þe erþe, pacyently abidyng to it haue taken sesoun & þe temperaunce. ⁸& þerfore be 3ee sufferynge, & make stalworþe youre hertus, for þe comynge of oure Louerd schal come ny nyȝte. ⁹Ne make 3ee no sorwe, breþeren, echone wiþ oþur, þat 3e be not demed: lo, þe iustysse by-fore þe ȝate stondeþ. ¹⁰Takeþ ensample, my breþeren, of yuel wyndynge, & of þe longenesse, & of traueyle, [f. 61^b] & þe

suffrynge of prophetis þat spaken in þe name of God. ¹¹Lo, we blessen hem þat suffrede. ȝee haue herd þe sufferynge of Ioh, & þe ende of oure Lord ȝe seȝ: for oure Lord is merciful & forȝeuere. ¹²Byfore alle þinge, my breȝeren, ne wyle ȝe not swere neȝer by heuene, ne be erȝe, ne noon oȝer manere othe: loke þat ȝoure word be ȝe, ȝe, nay, nay; þat ȝee falle not vndur dome. ¹³If eny of ȝow be heuyed, pray he wiȝ stable herte, & ioȝe he in his heuynes. ¹⁴If eny of ȝow falle seke, brynge he in þe prestes of þe church, & þat þei preȝe for him, ennoyntynge him wiȝ oyle in þe name of oure Lord: ¹⁵& þe preȝere of feiȝ schal saue þe seke, & oure Lord schal uppreȝe him; & if he be in synne, þei beȝ forȝeue him. ¹⁶& perfore schryue ȝow eche to oȝur ȝoure synys, & prayeȝ to-gedere, þat ȝe may be safe. Muche soȝely auayleȝ byȝay preȝere of þe riȝtwys. ¹⁷Helye was a man liko vnto us, þat myȝte fele noȝe & suffre, & wiȝ prayere he preyed þat it schulde not reyne up-on erȝe; & it reyned not ȝre ȝere and syȝe moneȝes. ¹⁸& eft he preyede; & heuene ȝaf reyne & þe erȝe ȝaf his fruyte. ¹⁹My breȝeren, soȝely who of ȝow erreȝ fro soȝfasteness, & whoso him amendeȝ, ²⁰hym oweȝ to wyte, þat he þat made þe synful to be turned fro þe erreure of his weȝe schal saue his soule fro deȝþ, and [f. 63] hydeȝ þe mechelnesse of his synnes þat wole turn to him.

^aHere endeȝ þe pisteles of seȝnt Jame[s]. And Petrus pisteles now byȝynne. Dis is þe firste pistel.^a

I PETER.

1. ¹Petre, þe apostul of ^bIesu Criste, vn-to þe chosen comelynges þat beȝ spred a-brode of Ponti, of Galathie, of Capadocie, of Asye, and Bythuna, ²aftur þe byfore-knowynge of God þe Fadur, in holynes of spiryte, in buxomnes, in sprenkelynge of þe blode of Iesu Criste. Grace be vn-to ȝow, & pees be multiplied. ³Blessid be God & þe Fadur of oure Lord Iesu Criste, þe whuche þorow his grete mercy eft-gate us a-ȝeyn in-to a leuyng hope þorow þe resureccyoun of Iesu Criste fro deȝþ, ⁴in-to þat heritage þat may not be defouled, ne fordene, but is euerelestynge kept in heuene in ȝow, ⁵þat in þe vertu of God be keȝed by feiȝ in-to hele maked redy þat on þe laste day schal be schewid; ⁶in þe whuche ȝe schul make ioȝe. Now if it byhoueȝ ȝow a litil to be heuyed in dyuerse trybulacyons, ⁷þat þe prouynge of ȝoure feiȝe be more precious þan gold is þat is proued wiȝ þe fyre, þat ȝoure feiȝe be founde in worschuȝe & ioȝe & honoure [f. 62^b] in-to þe schewynge of Iesu Crist: ⁸whom, if ȝe him not see, ȝee loue him: in whom now þat ȝee see not & trowe; whom, whan ȝee schulde him see, he schal be ȝoure ioȝe, ȝoure comfourt þat may not be tolde, & þat schal be glorified, ⁹bryngynge aȝeyn þe ende of ȝoure feiȝe, hele of ȝoure soulia. ¹⁰Of whuche hele þe prophetes enquired & souȝte, þe whuche prophecyed grace þat was to come in vs: ¹¹sechyng in what tyme it schulde synnyfye; þe sperite of Crist, þat was in hem, schewid hem þat beȝ in Cristes passyoun what ioȝe þei schulde haue aftur. ¹²& þei mynystrid vn-to ȝow þe þinges þat now beȝ schewyd vn-to ȝow by hem þat haue preched vn-to

^{a-a} underlined.^b a large hole in the MS. here.

þow þorow þe Holy Gost sent fro heuene; in whom angelis desyre to be-
holde. ¹³Wherfore drawe uppe þoure herte fro wordly lustes, & beþ sobre
& parfytte & tristly þer-inne, þat is, in schewyng þat grace þat is offrud to
you in þe reuelacyon of Iesu Crist; ¹⁴as sones of buxomnes, not lyke to þoure
firste desyres of þoure vnknowyng, ¹⁵but aftir him þat cleped þow holy.
& be þee holy in al þoure conuersacyoun; ¹⁶for it is wretyn, Be þee holy,
for I am holy. ¹⁷& if þe clepe him Fadur þat, wip-oute rewarde-takyng
[f. 63] of eny persone, demerch echone aftir his deedis, leueþ in drede þe
tyme of þoure duellyng heere: ¹⁸wetyng weel þat þee be nost bougt wip
roten seluer, or golde þat soone wyle ruste & rote, of þoure veyn lyuyng,
þat þee of þoure formere fadres tooken; ¹⁹but wip þe precyouse blood, as of
þe lombe wip-outyn filþe þat may not be defoulyd, of Iesu Criste. ²⁰He
was knowen of God or euere þe worlde were maade, & afturwarde he was
schewyd in þe laste tymys of þe worlde for þowe: ²¹þat þorow him þee be
made trewe in God þat reysid him froo deþ, & safe to him ioie wip-outen
ende, þat þoure feiþe & þoure hope schulde be in God, ²²chastysyng þoure
soules in buxomnes of charite, in loue of breþurhede. Loueþ echone oþur
bysyli in lowenes of herte: ²³oft-borne nougt of sede þat may be roten, but
of þat þat may not be roten, þorow þe word of lyuyng God & lastyng
wip-outen ende. ²⁴For al flesch is but as muke or hey, & alle þe ioie of it
is as þe floure of hey or of mucke. Þe hey wexiþ drye, & þe floure þer-of
felle: ²⁵but soþely þe word of God lasteþ wip-outen ende. And þis word it
is þat is preched a-monges þow. 2. ¹Wherfore doþ a-wey alle malice
& alle treccherye & alle feynynges & enuyes & alle bakbytynges, ²as children
þat be now bore, kouetyng resonable mylke, [f. 63^b] wip-outen trecherye,
þat þee helfully wexe þer-wip: ³but not forþi þee haf tasted how swete oure
Lord is.

⁴Drawe þow to him þat is þe leuyng stone, reproued of men, but chosen
soþely of God, & honoured; ⁵& þe as quyke stones beþ maked in worke, in
gostly houses, holy presthode, to offure gostly offrynges þat beþ acceptable
to God þorow Iesu Criste. ⁶Wherfore is conteynynd in holy writt^a, Lo, I
schal putte in Syon a stone hygest cornarde, precyous and chosen, & eche
þat troweþ in him schal not be confounded: ⁷þerfore to þou þat troweþ,
honour: to hem þat troweþ not he is made a stone þat was reproued,
& kaste a-wey of hem þat housed, heere he is maked a heued stone in þe
corner, (þat is, þat makeþ boþe one in charite)^b ⁸& he is a stomblyng
stone, & to sporne aþeyn, & a stone of sclawndre to hem þat stumblen þer-
aþeyn þorow worde, & troweþ not; in whom þei beþ putte (þat is, in whom
is here dome or þeire sauacyoun putte)^b. ⁹þe soþeliche beþ a chosen
kynrede, ryal presthode, a holy folke, peple i-chose (þat is, gete þow
passyoun & bore þow bapteine)^b; þat þe schulde schewe þe vertu of him
þat cleped þow fro derkenesse in-to his merueilouse lyt; ¹⁰þe whuche some
tyme were not his folke, now soþely þe beþ Godes folke; þe whuche some
tyme folwyd not [f. 64] aftur mercy, now soþely þe folwe þer-aftur.

¹¹My deere frendes, I besecche þow as comelynges^a & pilgrymes, þat þe

^a *sey* in margin.

^b *underlined*.

absteyne þow fro fleschely desyres, þe whuche stryuen aȝeyn þe sowle;
¹²hauynge þoure conuersacyoun good a-mong þe gentylis; (þat is, a-mong
 þe puple þat is not trewely turned, to teche hem boþe in lyuynge & also in
 þoure soule)^a þat whanne þei speke yuel of þow by-hynde þow and sey þe beþ
 yuel-doeris, þat þei may byholde þoure good deedis, & so þat þei may wor-
 schupe God in þe day of vysitynge. ¹³Beþ sogettis to alle mannes creature
 (þat is, to eche man or womman þat is Godes creature)^a, for God (þat is, for
 Godes loue in þinges þat beþ lefful wiþ þe wille of God)^a: oþur to a kyng,
 as he þat is ouer þe; ¹⁴oþur to dukes, as to hem þat beþ fro hem sentte to
 vengeance of yuel doeris, & soþely preysynge to good doaris. ¹⁵For so is
 þe wille of God, þat þe make hem þat doþ wel to waxe dombe (þat is, to
 holde hem stille wiþ-outen preysynge of here good dede, or, on þis wyse)^a
 þat þe þat do wel make dou[m]þe^b þe vnkonyngenesse of vnwyse men (þat is
 to mene, þat þe þow þoure good lyf & þoure good speche & sufferynge ȝyfe
 suche ensample to þe vnwise recheles, þat þei may take ensample, & so of
 here [f. 64^b] yuel wordes & deedus waxe dombe)^a; ¹⁶as þe þat beþ fre, & not
 as þei þat haue filþe of chorlhede (þat is, bondage to synne)^a, & hauynge
 frenesse of malice, but as þe seruawntes of God. ¹⁷Beþ sogettis to alle
 creatures of mankynde, for loue of God; worschupeþ þoure kynges ¹⁸& her
 mynystris in alle drede to þoure lordes, not only to þe goode & debonere,
 but also vn-to trawntes. ¹⁹Soply þis is grace, for who suffereþ for con-
 syence of God (þat is, for þat he wul not do aȝeyn consience, leuynge
 þe wille of God)^a heuynesse or wo sufferiþ in vnriȝtwysnesse, ²⁰þe whuche is
 grace, if þat þe synne & þerfore be smeten in þe necke, þe suffre it (& þat
 riȝtwisly)^a. But if þat þe do wel & þanne patiently suffre (heuynesse
 & wronges)^a, þis is grace a-nentis God (þat is, þat grace þe haue of God)^a.
²¹& soþely here-to þe ben clepid: for Crist sufferid for þow, leeuynge
 ensample þat þe folowe his trace: ²²þat neuere dide synne, ne neuere was
 trecherie in his mouþe founde: ²³þe whuche whan he was mysseyde, he
 mysseyde not a-ȝeyn; whan þat he schulde suffre, he curside not^a aȝeyn^a;
 he soþly tooke him-self to þe iuge þat demyd him vnriȝtwisly; ²⁴þe whuche
 bar oure synnys in his body (peyne, wowndes & wo, þat he for oure synne
 suffrede)^a up-on þe rode-tre: þat we to synnys schulde be doff. 65]de,
 & soþly lyue riȝtwisly: þow whos peyne ȝee beþ helud. ²⁵Soply þe were
 as scheep strayenge a-boute (departynge from þe flocke)^a, but now þe beþ
 turned to þe hurde & þe bischop of þoure sowlis.

3. ¹And wyȝmen on þe same manere be makid sugettis to here
 housbondes, so þat who-so troweþ not to þoure worde þat þei may be wonnen
 wiþ-outyn worde þow þe goode conuersacyoun of þoure wyȝmen; ²by-
 holdynge in drede þoure holy conuersacyoun, ³of whom ne be þei not
 wiþ-oute (þat is, be not þe wyȝmen wiþ-outen schewynge ensample)^a wiþ
 þe here of here heud, or wiþ serkylyng a-boute wiþ golde, or wiþ bysȝ
 araynge of cloþus. ⁴But of þat þat is hydde wiþ-inne in mans herte (þat
 is, þat þei araye her herte wiþ-inne to þe siȝt of God, schewynge oute to þe
 folke her holy dedus in mekenes & lowenes)^a in vnflynge reste (of here

^a underlined.^b cf. 2 Pet ii 16; MS. *downe*.

body & soule)* of ony ese, & a demure spyryte þe whuche is riche & cely in þe syst of God. ⁶So sople some tyme holy wymmen, & hopynge in God, enournd hem, sogottes to here housebondes. ⁷As Sare was buxom to Abraham, clepyng him her lorde: whos dougtres þe beþ, wel doynge & not dredynge eny perturbacion [f. 65^b] or lettynge. ⁸Men also þat beþ duellynge wiþ þowre wymmen, astur witte & connyng reweled, absteine þow fro þowre wyues þat beþ þe more freyle, doynge wurschupe vn-to hem, as to hem þat beþ eyres of grace of lyf; þat oure preyeris be not lettud. ⁹Beþ alle of o wyll in feiþe in þowre preyeris, hauynge pyte (& compassyoun echone of opur)*, loueres of breþurhede, merciful, mylde, & meke: ¹⁰not zeldynge euyl for euyl, or mysword for mysword, but euen þer-ajeyn blyasse hem þat curriþ þow, or myssey; for in þat þee beþ clepyd (þat is, þe be ordeynyd euere to blyasse)*, þat þee may haue þe blyassyng þorow herytage. ¹¹Sople whoso wole loue his lyf, & see goode dayes, wiþ-drawe his tunge fro yuel, & his lyppis þat þei speke no trecherye: ¹²bowe him a-wey fro wikkidnes, & do good; seke pees & folowe it. ¹³For þe eyen of God loke up-on þe rystwyse, & his eris be redy to here preieres; sople þe semblawnt of God (þat is, þe heuy chere)* is up-on hem þat worchep þe yuel. ¹⁴& who is he þat þow schal noye, if þe folowe me perfytyl (& be Godes amynysteris)* ¹⁵& what so-euere þat þee suffre for rystwysnesse, in þat þe beþ blessed. Ne be þe not a-ferid of drede of hem, þat þe beþ not lettud ne disturbed; ¹⁶but hald wel þee Crist oure Lord in þowre hertus; euer redy to make satisfaccyoun to alle þat axkep þou resoun þer þat in þow is þorow hope & feiþ. ¹⁷But [f. 66] wiþ a mesurid drede haue euere a good conciense, þat in þat at þei bacbite þow, as þe ware yuel-dois, þat þei may be confoundid, þat blamen þowre goode conuersacioun & lyfynge in Crist. ¹⁸Forsope miche bettur it is if þe wel-dois suffre aftir þe wille of God, þan al þe lykynge of þe yuel-dois; ¹⁹for onys Crist was for oure synnes deed, þe rystwyse for the vnrihtwyse, to offre us to God; deed sople in flesche & lyuynge in spirite, *et cetera*.

4. ¹Arme þow in þoust of þe passioun þat Crist suffrode in his flesche. ²Beþ þe wyse, & wakeþ in praieres; ³hauynge eche wiþ opur in þoureself lastynge charite. For charite hiduþ þe multitude of synne. ⁴Holdiþ hospitalite to-gedere wiþ-uten gruchynge; ⁵echone astur þat he haþ taken grace, scheweþ it vn-to opur as good dispenderis of þe many-fold grace of God; ⁶who-so spekep as þe wordis is of God; whoso mynysteriþ as þorow þe vertu þat God mynysteriþ to him: þat God in alle þinges be worschupid by oure Lord Iesu Criste, vn-to whom is honoure & ioye and lordschupe, in worlde wiþ-uten ende, amen.

⁷My deere breþeren, wele þe not traueyle in hete & brennyng þat stereþ þow to temptacyon, as þat some newe þinge falle vn-to þow: ⁸but communynge to-gedere in Cristis passyoun [fol. 66^b] (þat is, echone stere opur whan he is toward eny temptacyoun, wiþ mynde of þe passyoun of Crist)*, make þe ioye, þat in þe schewynge of his ioye þe mowe make ioye, beyng euere myry. ⁹If þe be schamed or reproved in þe name of oure Lord Iesu Criste,

& 3e it gladly suffre, blessud schal 3e be: for þat at is of þe honoure & of þe vertu of God, & he þat is his sperite, schal vpon 3ow reste; of oþur he is blasfemyd, of 3ow be he worschupyd. ¹²Suffere noon of 3ow as a manalear doþ, or a þeef, or an yuel, wordly man, or as a coueytour of oþur mennes goodes: ¹³but soþly if 3e be not a-schamed to suffre as he þat is a cristen man, þan 3e schul glorifye God in þis name. ¹⁴For it is tyme þat þe dome bygynne of þe hous of God: if it soþly first bygynne of us, what schal be here ende þat trowe not to þe gospel of God? ¹⁵& if vane-þus schal a rítwys man be sauýd, þe wíkkid & þe synner where schal þei appere? ¹⁶Also & þei þat suffre astur þe wille of God, þei be-take here soules in here goode deedus vn-to here trewe makere.

5. ¹I hyseche þerfore þe olde þat beþ wíp 3ow, I, þat am on of 3oure elderis, & a wittnes of þe passyouns of Crist, þe whuche is comm[u]n[er]^a of his ioie þat schal be schewed in tyme þat is to come, [f. 67] ²þat 3e feede Godes flokke in þat at 3ee may, purueyinge for hem, not constreyned but by 3oure fre wille, astur Godes techynge; ne for no hauynge of foule wordly wynnynge, but wilfully (& gladly)^b; ³not as lordis in þe clergie, but a forme (& ensample)^b to the flokke of good lyuynge; ⁴and whan þe prynce of hirdus schal appere (þat is, Crist on þe day of dome)^b, 3e schal take a gloriose croune of ioie. ⁵& þe same manere 3e þat be 3onge be þe sogettes to 3oure elderis. And scheweþ alle to-gedere mekenes a-mong 3ow: for God þe proude wípstondíþ, & to þe meke he 3eueþ grace. ⁶And þerfore meke 3ow vndur þe myst[y] honde of God, þat he make 3ow hys in tyme of his visitacioun; ⁷puttynge in him al 3oure bysynes, for he haþ kepynge of 3ow. ⁸Beþ sobre & wakeþ, for 3oure enmy þe deuele as it wore a romynynge lyon goþ aboute, sechyng whome he may swelowe: ⁹whom 3e schul wípstonde, stalworþe in þe feiþ, wytyng þat 3ee mowe suffre þe same passyoun þat he doþ þat is in þe worlde (for eny strenkþ þat 3e haue of 3ow-self)^b. ¹⁰& þerfore soþly God of al grace þat haþ callid 3ow in-to his euere-lastynge ioie in Iesu Crist, he schal fulfille (þe myst þat 3ow wantep)^b, conferme (3oure þouȝte)^b, & make it sad. ¹¹In him by ioie & honoure euere wíp-oute ende. Amen. ¹²By oure trewe broþer [f. 67^b] Syluane, as I suppose, schortly I haue wryton vnto 3ow, prayinge & wyttnessynge þat þis is þe verrey grace of God, in þe whuche loke þat 3e stonde. ¹³þe chosun church þat is in Babiloyne greteþ 3ow weel, & Marke my sone. ¹⁴Greteþ wel to-gedere echone oþur in holy kyssynge. Grace be to 3ow alle þat beþ in Iesu Criste. Amen.

II PETER.

1. ¹Symon Petre, the seruawnte & þe apostul of Iesu Crist, to hem þat haue taken feiþ euen wíp vs, in rýtwisnesse of oure God & oure saueoure Iesu Crist: ²grace be to 3ow, & pees be fulfyllid in þe knowynge of oure Lord. ³How þat alle þinges beþ 3euen to 3ow, þorow þe vertu of God, þe whuche beþ nedeful, & beþ 3eue to 3ow to lyf & to pyte, by knowynge or

^a MS. *commin*.^b Underlined.

þorow kunnyng of him þat clepeþ þow þorow his owne ioye & his vertu ;
 'by þe whiche vertu moste & precyous byhestes he haþ zeuen þow ; þat
 þorow him þe be maked felowis of þe kynde of God, fleyng þe corrupcyoun
 of desyres þat beþ in the worlde. ⁶And þerfore putteþ al þoure bysynesse
 to vse vertu in þoure feiþ, in vertu to haue connyng, ⁶soply in kunnyng
 abstynence, pacyence, in pacyence onlyche of pyte, ⁷in pyte loue of breþur-
 hede, in br[o]þur[hede]^a loue of charite : ⁸Soply if þis be þoure lederia
 & wiþ [f. 68] þow, þei wele [not] leue þow voyde, [ne] wiþ-uten fruyt in þe
 knowyng of oure Lord Iesu Crist. ⁹Soply whoso is not redy to þis, soply
 he is blynde, & suffereth temptacyon to muche to haue power in him,
 forgetyng to muche þe clensyng of his olde synny. ¹⁰Wherefore, my
 dere breþeren, beþ þe more bysy, þat þorow þoure goode werkes þat þe do
 & fulfille þoure certeyn clepyng & chesyng (þat is, þat þe fulfille þe dedus
 þat þe beþ chosen and clepyd to)^b. Soply if þe þus do, & þoure clepyng
 fulfille, þan þe schul not synne. ¹¹And þanne schal abundynglyche (þat is,
 plenteouslyche)^b be zeuen to þow, wher-þorow þe schul haue entre in-to þe
 euere-lastyng kyngdom of oure Lord & Iesu Crist oure saueoure. ¹²Where-
 fore I schal bygynne to meue þow & telle þow eueremore of þes þinges, þat
 þe soply be in þem stabled & conformed in soþfastnes. ¹³Soply me þinkeþ
 it rytwis, as longe as I schal dwelle in this wonyngestede, (þat is, þe whyle
 I lyue)^b to rere þow (þat is, to stere þow) in warnynges & techynges.
¹⁴Serteyn I am þat smert & hasty is þe doyngedown of my tabernacle
 (þat [f. 68^b] is, I am certeyn þat hastely & sone schal come þe tyme of my
 departyng of body and of soule)^b, after þat at oure Lorde Iesu Criste haþ
 ordeynyd to me. ¹⁵& I schal zeue þow enchesoun þat I may haue þow aftur
 my deed, þat þe haue in mynde þes þynges þat I telle þow in my lyfe.
¹⁶þe schul not folow þis techyng, as it were yuel tauȝt fabules we haue
 maad knowen vn-to þow : þe vertu & þe for-knowyng of God. But I wele
 þat þe be byholderes of his grete dedus : ¹⁷takyng of God the Fadur
 honoure & ioye, þorow þe voice þat come glydyng fro heuene, fro þe fadur
 to þe sone, seyinge on þis wyse fro his fulgrete ioye, Here is, or, þis is my
 deere sone, in whom muche lykyng Iche haue hadde ; heere þe him.
¹⁸& þis voice we herde fro heuene brouȝte, whanne we were wiþ him in þe
 holy hylle. ¹⁹& we haue þe more ful trewþe & word of prophecy, & in þat
 þe do wele þat þe take heede þer-to, as to a lanterne lystenyng in a derke
 place, forto þe day schyne, & lucifer, the grete sterne, be resen in þoure
 hertis, þat schyneþ so bryt. ²⁰Sopely al tyme prophecy is not zeuen
 aftur [f. 69] mannes wille : but alle þe holy seyntes þorow þe Holy Gost
 spaken þat were enspyred of him.

2. ¹Ther were soply also fals prophetus a-mong þe folke, ryȝt as a-mong
 þow schul be mayster lyeris, þat bryngen vppe newe sectis (þat is, newe
 religyon & newe gyses)^b of dampnacyoun, & þat Lord þat bouȝte hem schul
 þei denye, chesyng hem a ledere of loste & dampnacyoun. ²& many schul
 solowe aftur here leccheryes (þat is to seye, þer schal come in holy church
 maysterus þat schul mayntene lesynges, boþe of lered & lewyd, peruertyng

^a MS. *dropur*.

^b Underlined.

þe trewe lawes, & turnyng soþe to false & false vn-to soþe; & þes schulen brynge newe ordris & sectus, costomes and degyses, turnyng here religyoun out of þe ryzte rewle, vnschapyng þer body wiþ newe manere of degyses, conformyng hem to þe worlde and leuyng godes rewle; & make hem a bonde of lost & dampnacyoun. & many schul folowe þer leccherye; of men of holy church þat schulde be Godes prophetes schal by-come prophetis of þe deuel. & oþer grete & smale, þat schal so her leccherie & her foule dedis, schal folowe here ensample and so wende to helle)* by þe whuche þe weye of soþfastnes schal be blasfemed (þat is, þe whuche [f. 69^b] schul soþfast techyng & heleful lore putt down & despice, & mayntene & aferme þe lawe of lust & synne)*. ³& þorow auaryce (þei schul be erandebereris & depraueris to lette þow) in þoure wordis, & þoure dedus þei schul bye & sylle (þat is, in þat þe teche þe peple þe peryl of yuel lyf to make hem to haue drede, in þat þei schul bye & sylle her synne for syluer & for golde)*, to whom þe dome now ne somtyme sessiþ nouȝt, & here dampnacyoun slepeþ nouȝt. ⁴Soply if God sparud not to þe aungeles þat synnede, but bytoke hem to be drawn wiþ þe romynyng deueles of helle, whan þei deuelis bycome, echone to drawe oþur, euere þere to be turmentid, kepud vn-to þe dome. ⁵& origynale worlde he sparud not, but al it fordid, safe Noe & þo þat wiþ him were, wiþ þe grete flode. ⁶And þe cytoes of Sodome & Gomorre turnyd it in-to poudre [þ]orow^b his vpturnyng, & dampnede hem alle, þeuyng hem ensample þat aftur wolde do yuele; ⁷& þe ryztwyse Loth þat wiþ þe wickede was ouerlyen, & holdun down wiþ here vnriȝtwyse lyfyng, God him fayre delyuerede: ⁸soply þorow syȝt & heryng ryzt-wyse he was dwellyng a-monges hem, þat from day to day [f. 70] his ryzt-wyse soule wiþ wickede dedus þei turmented. ⁹God wolde his ryztwyse from temptacyoun delyuere, and soply þe wicked vnto þe day of dome in peyne & turmentis hem kepede; ¹⁰& soply more hem þat aftur here flesche in desyres of vnclennes walke; to haue any lordschupe þei dispice it (þat is, eny lord to haue ouere hem)*; bolde þei be, & drede not to gadere to hem lykyng companyis, gyses & sectes newe for-to ordeyne, þe whuche be blasphemaris; ¹¹sipen þat angelis beþ of more vertu & strengþ, þei take no mynde of þat dredeful dome þat schal be ȝeue aȝeyn hem. ¹²þei soply as it were vnresonable bestes, þat þorow sleȝtys be taken or þei wite, so þe blasphemaris in here fylþe schal preche, takyng [þe mede] of vnriȝtwisnes. ¹³For þei wende þe lustus of þis worlde & þe fylþe & þe lykynges hadde ben delices, folowyng in þer lykynges, in þer festus doynge lecherye, ¹⁴hauyng here [ey]ȝen^c ful of a-uoutries, wiþ-outen sessyng of here synne; hauyng rowe soules & vnstable; & vsyng þer hertes in auaryce; childeren of malyson, ¹⁵ȝoden omysse, forsakyng ryzt weye, & folwed þe weye of Baalam, þe whuche loued mede of wickednes; [f. 70^b] ¹⁶soply blamed he was of his wodnesse of a doume beste—as who seiþ, he spak not as resonable man, but as a doume beste þat vndur synne was ȝoked—vndur ȝokke, spekyng wiþ mannes voyce & of his vn-wytte of þe prophete was him forbode, seyinge on þis wyse,

* Underlined.

^b MS. *rorow*.^c MS. *aȝeyn*.

¹⁷Dis beþ welles wiþ-uten watur, & cloudes þrowen aboute wiþ stormes (þat is, þei þat schulde haue watur of wysdom & techynge as men of holy church, þei been alle drye, & þe cundyte of grace renneþ nouȝt to hem : but beþ cloudes derke wiþ synne, þrowen a-boute wiþ stormes of temptacyon. Þus vnderstonde I þis.)^a in þe whiche dymnes of derkenes is kept ; ¹⁸spekynghe proude þinges of vanyte, deseyuynge hem in desyres of lecccherie of flesche þat tristeþ to hem ; & opynly lyfen in here errour, ¹⁹by-hotynge to hem frenes, & by hem-selue bounde & seruantes of corrupcyon. Soply of whom-so eny is ouercomen & þus defoulyd, his seruant he is. ²⁰Soply who-so feleþ þe fylynges of þe worlde in knowynge of oure Sauoure & oure Lord Iesu Criste, & eftē in þe same ben ouercome, þanne þat latters fallynge is wors vnto hem þan þe firste was. ²¹Soply betre it were to hem not to knowe þe weye of ryȝtwisnesse, [f. 71] þan, aftur þat þei haue knowen it, to turne away þer-fro aftur þat it is ȝeuē us in holy comawndement. ²²Soply to hem falleþ þe trewe prouerbe þat is seyde. Lyke þei ben to an hounde þat turneþ aȝeyn to ete þat he haþ spewe, and also to þe sowe þat wascheþ hyre in þe podel wiþ mukke al fyled.

3. ¹My dere breþeren, I wryte þis vnto ȝow to be ȝoure secunde pistil in þe whyche I stere ȝoure ful clere myndes þorowe biddynge & bysekynghe, ²þat ȝe þenke vpon þe wordis þat Crist haþ spoken vnto ȝowe and of þe apostelus wordes, & also of þe prophetes, & of þe comawndementis of oure Lord & oure Sauour. ³& wyte ȝe wel þat first þer schal come in þe laste dayes bygylaris to disceyue, þat schal rewel hem aftur þeir owne lustus & þer lykynges, ⁴& ⁵schul seye (þat is, of Crist to helpe & to deme)^b Where is his byheste, or where is his comynge ? Seþen þat þe olde sadrus were decde, ȝut alle þinge lastuþ þus fro þe bygynnynghe of eche creatura. ⁶But þei haue no mynde how þat he made heuene & erþe, see & londe, & alle þorow his worde. ⁷Þorow þe whiche word he distroyede þanne þorow flowynge water al þe worlde, [f. 71^b] saue a fewe þat were kept. ⁸Soply þe heuenys þat now ben & erþe wiþ þe same worde—þat is, to heuene schal be fordon & erþe schal brenne—beþ makod a-ȝeyn, & kepte vnto þe fyre on þe day of dome, & vnto þe day of leaynge & peryschynge of þe wickede men. ⁹But o þinge, my dere breþeren, be knowen to ȝow & not hyde, þat o day wiþ God is as it were a þousande ȝeere, & a þousande ȝere but as it were o day. ¹⁰God taryeþ not in þinges þat he haþ byhette as some folke wene ; but sufferyngelyche he abyduþ vā, willynge þat none perysche : but he wile þat alle be turned to penawnce in a-mendynge of here lyf. ¹¹Sopfastly þe day of God sodeynly schal come as a þef vnwarned, in whos comynge hastyly heuenes schul passe (þat is, heuenly soules schul passe fro þe dreȝeful dome vnto þe blisse of heuene)^c, þe elementes soply þorow hete schul be vndone, & þorow brennynghe of fyre þei schul be wastud, þe erþe soply & alle þinges þat schal be þere-inne, alle þei schul be brent. ¹²Þerfore syþen alle þes beþ to be vndone, how nedeful is it þanne to us to be holy in lyfynge & pyte, [f. 72] ¹³abydynge & makynge us redy aȝeyn þe dredful comynge of oure Lord Iesu Criste, þorow whom heuenes brennynghe

^a Underlined.^b Underlined.

schul be vndone, & þe elementis þorow brennyng of fyre schul fayle.
¹²Sopfastly newe heuenes & newe erþe we abyde & his byhestes, in þe
 whyche ryztwyanes dwellij. ¹⁴Wherfore abydyng þes þinges, my dere
 breþeren, bysý þow to be founden a-nentes him in pees vnsoyled & vnsoyled,
¹⁶& trowij wel þat þe longe a-bydyng of oure Lord Iesu Crist is for oure
 hele, ryzt as oure dere broþur Poule, aftur þe witte þat was þeuen him,
 wrote vnto þow; ¹⁸& as he in alle his pistelys spake of þes þinges, in þe
 whyche somme beþ harde to vnderstonde, þat þei þat be vnstable & vn-taust
 depraunen, as þei don oþur wrytynges, vnto þeire oune dampnacyon. ¹⁷And
 þerfore, þe my breþeren, knowij it byfore, kepeþ þoure-self, þat þorow þe
 errour of hem þat beþ vnwyse þe be nouȝt deceyuyd, fallynge fro þoure
 firste strengþe. ¹⁹But beþ wexynge in grace & in þe knowynge of oure
 Saueoure Iesu Crist; to him be ioye & worschupe, worlde wiþ-uten ende.
 Amen.

Here bygynnyþ þe first ppytyl of seynt Ion þe apostole.

[f. 72^b]

I JOHN.

1. ¹The lyf þat was wiþ-uten ende fro þe bygynnyng, þe whiche we
 herde, and wiþ oure eyen sawe, þat we byholde, & oure hondis him
 handlede, of þe whiche word of lyfe we haue drawe, ²& we him sawe,
 & bere wittnes, & schewe vnto þow þe lyf euerelastyng (þat is, Crist Godis
 sone)^a þat was wiþ þe Fadur & to us apperud: ³þat we haue herde & seyne
 we schewe it vn-to þow, þat þe mowe haue felowschupe wiþ vs, & þat oure
 felowschepe be wiþ þe Fadur and wiþ his sone Iesu Crist. ⁴& þis haue we
 wryte vnto þow þat þe make ioye, & þat þoure ioye be fulle. ⁵& þis is þe
 schewyng þat we herde of him, & we schewe it vnto þow: for God is þe
 lyzt, & þer is in him no inanere of derknes. ⁶If we seye þat we haue
 felowschepe wiþ him, & we in derknes walke, we lye & doþ not sopfastnes.
⁷Soply if we walken in lyzte, so as he is in lyzte, þanne haue we felouschype
 to-gedur, & þe blode of Iesu Crist his sone^b makeþ vs clene of alle synne.
⁸If þat we seye we haue no synne, we diceyne vs-self, & sopfastnes is not in
 vs. ⁹If þat we schryue us of oure synnes, God is trewe & ryztwyse, &
 forȝeueþ oure synnes, [f. 73] and he schal make vs clene of alle manere of
 wickednes. ¹⁰If þat we seye we synned nouȝt, we make him a lyere, & his
 word is not in vs. 2. ¹My children, þis I write to þow, þat þe synne not.
 But whoso-euere haþ synned, we haue Iesu Crist oure ryztwyse avocat
 byfore þe Fadur: ²& he is socoure and helpe for oure synnes; soply not
 only for oures, but also for al þe worlde, þat wiþ trewe trowþe wile to him
 clepe. ³And in þat we wote þat we haue knowen him, if þat we kepe his
 biddynges. ⁴Whoso seiþ þat he knoweþ God, & kepeþ not his biddynges,
 he is a lyere, & sopfastnes is not in him. ⁵Soply whoso-euere kepeþ his
 word, verreyly, in him is Godes charite parfyte. & in þat we knowe þat we
 dwelle in him, if þat we be parfyte in him. ⁶Whoso seiþ þat he in him
 dwelleþ, as he haþ go mote he go. ⁷My dere frendes, I wryte vnto þow not

^a Underlined.

^b MS. *sonne*.

a newe byddyng, but an olde comawndement þat ȝe haue had fro þe bygynnyng: ^aeftsones I write a newe mawndement to ȝow here, þat is soþ in him & in ȝow; for derkenesse now beþ passed, and now schyneþ verrei lyȝt. ^bWhoso seiþ þat he is in lyȝte, & hatuþ his broþur, he is in derkenes. [f. 73^b] ^cWhoso loueþ^a his broþer he dwelleþ in lyȝte, & slaundur is not in him. ^dSoþly whoso hatuþ his broþur, in derkenesse he is, & in derkenesse he goþ, & wote not whydur he goþ, for derkenesse haþ blyndid his eyen.

^eSones^b, I wryte vnto ȝow, þat for his name ȝoure synnes beþ forȝeue ȝow. ^fI write to ȝow, fadrus, for ȝe haue knowen him þat is wiþ-owten ende. I write to ȝow, ȝonge men, for ȝe haue ouercome þe wicked. ^gI wryte to ȝow, ȝonge children, for ȝe haue knowen ȝoure Fadur. I wryte to ȝow, fadrus, for ȝe haue knowyng of God. I write to ȝow, ȝonge men, for ȝe beþ stronge, & Godes [word] dwelleþ in ȝow, & wickednes ȝe haue ouercome. ^hNe wil ȝe not loue þe worlde, neȝur þe þinges þat in þe worlde beþ. For who-so loueþ þe worlde, þe charite of þe Fadur is not in him. ⁱFor al þat is in þe worlde, it is a desyre of þe flesche & desyre of eyen, & pride of lyf, þe whiche is not of þe Fadur, but of the worlde it is. ^j& þe worlde schal passe wiþ alle his lykynges & desyres: who-so doþ þe wille of God, he dwelleþ wiþ-outen ende. ^kMy leue sones, it is þe laste oure; & as ȝe haue herd þat Antecrist comeþ; now beþ many Antecristes maked, wherfore we wote þat it is þe laste oure. ^lÞei ȝode forþ fro vs, but þei were not of vs; for soþly hadde þei ben of vs, [f. 74] soþly þei had dwelid wiþ us: but þat þei schul mow be knowen, for þei ne beþ not alle of us. ^mBut ȝe haue ennoyntynge of þe Holy Goste, & alle þinges ȝe haue knowen. ⁿI wrote not þis to ȝow as vnto hem þat knewe not soþfastnesse, but as to hem þat knewe it, and wherfore al lesyng is not of soþfastnes. ^oWho is a lyere, but he þat denyeþ þat Iesus is Crist? He þis is Antecriste, þat denyeþ þe Fadur & þe Sone. ^pAlle þat denyeþ þe Sone, denyeþ þe Fader (þat is, he denyeþ þat he is a fader, for no fader may be wiþ-outen a sone or a chyld)^c; who-so is a-knowe þe Fader, he is a-knowe þe Sone; & whoso is a-knowe þe Sone, a Fader he haþ. ^qÞat at ȝe fro þe bygynnyng haue herde, in ȝow mote it dwelle. ȝif it dwelle in ȝow þat ȝe fro þe bygynnyng haue herde, þan ȝe schul dwelle in þe Fader & in the Sone. ^r& þis is þe byheste þat þe Sone haþ byhette ȝow, lyf euere-lastyng (þat is, of Criste)^c. ^sÞise þinges I wryte vnto ȝow of hem þat deceyue ȝow. ^t& ȝee þe ennoyntynge þat ȝe toke of him, it mote dwelle in ȝow. & ȝe ne haue not nede þat eny teche ȝow: but his ennoyntynge techiþ ȝow of alle þinges, it is soþ, & it is no lesyng. & as he haþ tauȝte ȝow, so dwelleþ þerinne. ^u& whanne þat ȝe schal appere, haue we [f. 74^b] feyþ-fulnes, & be we not confoundid of him in his comyng. ^vIf ȝe wite þat he is ryȝtweȝe, wete ȝe forsoþe þat alle þat doþ ryȝtweȝnesse is bore of him.

3. ^wSeeþ what charite þe Fadur haþ ȝeuen to us, þat we Godes sones be nemnyd. & we knowe & wite wel, þat þerfore þe worlde knewe ȝow not:

^a not follows, crossed through.

^b Chap. ii. begins here in MS.

^c Underlined.

for it knewe not him. ³My dere frendes, now we be Godes sones, & jit was it not schewid what þat we schul be. Soþly we wote, whan þat he schal appere we schul be lyke vnto him; for we schul se him riȝt as he is. ²& echone þat haþ þis lykenesse in him, he halweþ him, so as he is holy. ⁴Alle þat doþ synne, he doþ also wickednes: for synne is wickednes. ⁵And wite ȝe þat he appered to do a-wey synne of þe worlde, & no synne is in him. ⁶Alle þat in him dwelleþ synneþ nouȝt: & alle þat synneþ seeþ him not, ne knoweþ him nouȝt. ⁷My children, late noone disceyue ȝow: whoso doþ riȝtwisnes he is riȝtwis, as he riȝtwise is: ⁸whoso doþ synne of þe deuel it is; for fro þe bygynnyng þe deuel synneþ. In þat apperud Godes Sone, þat he wolde vndo þe deuelis werkes. ⁹Alle þat beþ bore of God doþ not synne, for his seed in him dwelleþ: & he may not synne, for of God he is bore. ¹⁰In [f. 75] þis beþ Godes sones schewed & þe fendus sones: whoso is not riȝtwise he is not of God, & he þat loueþ not his broþur. ¹¹For þis þe schewyng þe whuche ȝe haue herde fro þe bygynnyng, þat eche of ȝow loue oþur: ¹²nouȝt as Caym þat of wickednes was, & sleare of his broþur. & for what þing slowe he him? For his dedus were wickod, & his broþeres riȝtwise. ¹³No wondreþ ȝow nouȝt, breþeren, if þe worlde ȝow hate. ¹⁴We wote þat we beþ translatud fro deþ vnto lyf, for þat we loue oure breþeren. He þat loueþ not dwelleþ in deþ. ¹⁵Whosoeuere hateþ his broþer he is a man-sleare: & wyte ȝe þat eche mansleare haþ not lyf euerelestyng in him dwellyng. ¹⁶In þat we haue knowen þe charite of God, for he putte his soule for us: & we owe for oure breþeren to putte oure soules. ¹⁷He þat haþ þe goodes of þis worlde, & seeþ his broþer haþ nede & helpeþ him not, how dwelleþ þe charite of God in him? ¹⁸My children, loue we nouȝt [wiþ] worde, neiþer wiþ tunge, but wiþ deede & soþfastnes. ¹⁹In þat we knowe þat we beþ of soþfastnes, if we amoneste & make meke oure hertes in his syȝte. ²⁰For if oure herte reprehende vs nouȝt, God is more þan oure herte, & he knoweþ alle þinges. ²¹My dere [f. 75^b] frendus, if oure herte reprehende vs not, we haue feiþfulnes to God; ²²& what-so-euere we aske of hym, we schal it haue, for þat we kepe his bydynges, & do þe þinges þat beþ plesyng byfore him. ²³& þat is his comaundement, þat we trowe in þe name of his sone Iesu Crist, & þat we loue echone oþur, as he haþ vs comawndid. ²⁴& whoso kepeþ his comaundementis in him he dwelleþ, & he in him. & in þat we wote þat he dwelleþ in vs, þorow þe spyryt þat he haþ ȝoue vs.

4. ¹My dere frendes, ne trowe ȝe not to eche spyryte, but proue þe spyrytes if þei be of God: for many false prophetes jede in-to þe worlde. ²In þat is þe speryt of God knowen: for eche spyryte þe whuche is a-knowe þat Iesu Criste haþ comen in flesche—þat is, boþe God & man—he is of God. ³& eche spirite þat vndōþ Iesu Criste, he is not of God: but þis is Antecrist of þe whuche ȝe haue herde. For he comeþ, & now ryȝt he is in þe worlde. ⁴My children, ȝe beþ of God, & in him ȝe haue ouercomen: for God is grettere þat is in ȝow þan he þat is in þe worlde. ⁵Þei beþ of þe worlde, & perfore of þe worlde þei speke, & þe world hem heriþ. ⁶We beþ of God: whoso kneweþ God hereþ ȝow; he þat [f. 76] is nouȝt of God heruþ ȝow nouȝt. & in þat we knowe þe spirite of soþfastnes & þe spirite of

erroure. ⁷My dere breþeren, loue we us to-gidere : for charite is of God ; & eche þat loueþ his broþur of God he is bore, & God he knowiþ. ⁸He þat loueþ nouȝt knewe not God : for God is charite. ⁹In þat appered þe charite of God in vs : for he sente his owne sone in-to þe worlde, þat we lyue by him. ¹⁰& in þat is charite not as we haue loued God, but for þat he first loued vs, & sente his sone an helpe for oure synnes. ¹¹My dere breþeren, if God haue loued vs, & we schulde eche loue oþur. ¹²No man saw God euere (or, eny tyme)^a : if we loue to-gidere, God in vs dwelleþ, & his charite is in vs parfyte. ¹³In þat we knoweþ þat we in him dwelleþ & he in vs, for of his Spirite he haþ zeue vs ; ¹⁴and we haue seye & bere witnesse, þat þe Fadur sente his sone Saueoure of þe worlde. ¹⁵Whoso is a-knowe þat Iesus is Godes sone, God dwelleþ in him, & he in God. ¹⁶& we haue knowe & we trowe to þe charite þat God haþ in vs. God is charite ; & he þat dwelleþ in charite, he dwelleþ in God, & God in him. ¹⁷In þat is charite parfyte wiþ vs, þat we haue seiþ in þe day of dome ; for ryst as he is & we beþ in þis worlde. ¹⁸Drede is not in charite : but parfyte charite putteþ [f. 76^b] oute drede, for drede haþ payne ; soþly whoso dredith, he is not parfite in charite. ¹⁹& þerfore loue we God, for first God loueþ us. ²⁰Whoso-euere seiþ þat he loueþ God, & hateþ his broþur, he is a lyere : þe whuche soþly loueþ nouȝt his broþur whom þat he seiþ, how may he loue God whom þat he seeþ nouȝt ? ²¹& þat biddinge we haue of God, þat whoso loueþ God, he loueþ his broþer.

5. ¹Alle þat troweþ þat Iesus is Criste þorow God he is bore : & eche þat loueþ him þat gate, loueþ him þat of him is bore. ²In þat we knowe þat we loue Godes children, whan whe loue God, & we do his byddynges. ³Þis is soþly charite of God, þat we kepe his biddynges : & his biddynges ne beþ not greuous. ⁴For alle þinge þat is bore of God (or, þorow God)^a ouercomeþ þe worlde : & þis is þe victory þat ouercomeþ þe worlde, oure feiþ. ⁵Who is it þat ouercomeþ þe worlde ? noon but he þat trowiþ þat Iesus is Godes sone. ⁶Þis is he þat come by water & blode, Iesus Criste ; nouȝt only in water, but in watur & blode. & it is þe spyrite þat beruþ witnes þat Crist is soþfastnes. ⁷For þre þer beþ þat witnes bere in heuene, þe Fadur, þe Sone & þe Holy Goste : and þes þre beþ one. ⁸& þre þer beþ þat zeueþ witnes in erþe, Spirite, water, & bloode : & þre beþ one. ⁹ȝif we take witnes of men, more is þe witnes of God ; for þat^b [is] þe witnes of God [f. 77] þat is more, for he bar witnes of his sone. ¹⁰Whoso troweþ in Godes Sone, he haþ þe witnes of God in him. He þat troweþ not in þe Sone he makeþ him a lyere, for he troweþ not in þe witnes þat God witnessiþ of his Sone. ¹¹And þis is þe witnesse, for lyfe euere-lastyng he haþ zeue to us, & þat is þe lyfe in his Sone. ¹²He þat haþ þe Sone haþ lyfe ; whoso haþ not þe Sone (of God)^a, he haþ not lyfe. ¹³Þis I wryte vn-to ȝow, to make ȝow to wyte þat ȝe haue lyfe euere-lastyng þat troweþ in þe name of Godes Sone. ¹⁴& þis is þe feiþfulnes þat we haue to God, for what þinge so we vse axe aftur his wille, he hereþ us : ¹⁵& we wote þat he hereþ us, what-so we axe : & we wote þat we haue þe axsynges, þat we

^a Underlined.^b MS. þat for.

have been saved. "The last water but his baptism stands open just in case to be made, even for him, & God asked your life to him just opening out to be made. Truly we are opened up to be deep, just in case our baptism is opened, & our baptism is deeper, just in case we are deeper." Now, I say, pray for him. "These words are in your heart, & it is your heart to be deep. "We know just what we are of God, we know God!" we opened out—just in, willfully in ready spirit—but getting deeper him, & he worked harder by us [2. 77] not just in in your spirit, we know him now." "We were just of God we have him, & also in water in power in wisdom. "If we were just God we have him, & we are with us know every God, & just we be in his every time, we know. He is in every God & life every baptism. "My children, keep you in knowledge and wisdom." Now only to first part of deep power and in second part baptism by name."

* Unfinished.

* The remaining sections 2-3 John, John which follow here are printed from MS. B. on pp. 48-49.

APPENDIX II.

Variant readings of MS. Holkham 672 f. 132.

Heading: *Here beginnin þe piteles of þe 3eer* in red ink, p. 18 l. 5 *suster* om., l. 6 first & om., l. 7 in *þis*.

1 Pet. i 13 *y profered*, 24 Heading *C^m 2^m*, new division with initial: *bisse*, ii 2 *nouþe*: *þer inne in to*, 4 *quit ston*, 7 *worschipped*, 8 *repreued*, 9 *folk ychose*: *an holy for and h.*: *of wynnynge adquisicioun*, 11 no division in MS., 12 *b. you in youre werkes*, 17 *Dredþ 3e God* om., 20 *but if...suffreþ* om., 21 *stappes*, 22 no *a*: no *g.*, 24 *þat we dede vnto synnes. lyue to riȝtweysnesse.* & *þoruȝ*, 25 *þat erreden*, iii 1 *C^m 3^m* in margin, 3 *as þouȝ*: *on oper*, 6 *sarra*, 7 *dwellynge*, 16 *haue 3e*, 17 *3ef it is*, 21 *nouþe*: *of oure*, iv 1 *C^m 4^m* in margin, 2 *mannes*, 3 & *etynges & drynkynges* om., 4 *ne 3erneþ*, 11 *as þe uertue*, 12 *fel*, 16 *bute he þ*, 11 *schal þe w. man*, v 1 *C^m 5^m* in margin, new division, 2 *folk*, 5 *sogett*, 10 *blisse*, 11 *be*.

2 Pet. i 1 *Sodā Petri 1^a* in margin, 5 an asterisk in the margin, referring to the following note in a late hand: *Nota þe gradacioun of þise vertues & how man is blynd ȝif he haue hem not or elce to be besi to haue he[m]*, 11 *þer ben*, 19 *forto*, 21 *nys noȝt*. ii 1 *C^m 2^m* in margin. 9 *vnto þe d.*, 10 *boldeliche*, 13 *delyces of god*: *hure* om., 14 & *vntable haueþ*, 20 *after m.*, 22 *furto spewe*: *plodde of f.* iii 1 *C^m 3^m* in margin, 3 *day*: *coueityse*, 7 *nouþe*: *world*, 8 *noȝt* om., 15 *deme 3e*, 18 *deo*.

James i 1 Heading: *Jamis capitelum primum* in red ink, 6 in om., 11 *hey*, 13 *seiþ*, 27 *from þe*, ii 1 *C^m 2^m* in margin, 2 *upon his*, 3 *seiþ*: *seiþ*, 8 *kyndelyche l.*: *þi nexte neȝebore*, 11 *schalt do*, 19 *þer nys*, 22 *seestou*, 25 *sche*, iii 1 *C^m 3^m* in marg., 2 *no w.*: *a body*, crossed through and expunged, follows *body*, 7 *y tamed*, 8 *tamen*, 11 *of hol a w.*, 15 & *a bestȝsch wysdom* om., 16 *as is h.*, iv *C^m 4^m* in marg., 3 *ne* om.: *first in* om., 5 *seiþ*, 6 *seiþ*, 10 *in tyme of tribulacions*, 11..f *bacbitȝng* in marg., crossed through, 13 *seyeþ*: 2nd *we* om.: *on þe m.*, 14 *seluen* om., v 1 *C^m 5^m* in marg.: *wrechednesse*, 2 *mouȝþes*, 4 *kyngdomes*, 6 *azenstod*, 16 *þat 3e* om., 17 *þere þre*, 20 *keueren*.

1 John i 1 Heading: *Ioon C^m 1^m*: & *oure*, 2 & *lyf*: *yhan* exp. follows *han*, 3 & *þat oure f.*, 8 *seyeþ*: 2nd *ne* om., 10 *seyeþ*, ii 8 *derknesse*, 12 Heading *C^m 2^m*, new division, 16 *ne* om., 20 *habbeþ* always before *haueþ*, 21 3rd *þat* om., 28 *3e* om., iii 4 & *eueriche man þat doþ synne. & wycked-*

now in ink. & square a quadrilateral. 6 only. 12 finish children: no keep
next just follows better. 12 that veritas om., 15 no line om., 19 no eye,
21 not om., 22 to om., v l C^o 4^o in marg., 26 om., v l C^o 3^o in marg.,
28 in text, & new job. & also manuscript for world om., 11 job is left,
13 square & a. 20 justice om.: but is a find, 21 & quadrilateral. More easily
—squares om.

2 June 1 Heading: 3 quadrilateral, 4 female om., 5 manuscript, 6 ye have
for, 7 let be om., 8 line, 9 job added above the line: drawn next in p l,
10 to igne. 11 study versus only, 12 to you.

3 June 1 Heading: no heading, 2 I have up, 3 what-as you that om.:
give om., 7 is om., 10 none, 11 of G., 12 by letter, 14 schol: More easily
etc. om.

June 1 Heading: Latin Pater C^o 1^o: C. & Lucas: in line, 3 friends
of my mother: pater om.: let om., 4 manuscript added: into back, 5 om.,
6 scripta & his manuscripte om., 7 example, 8 blasphe, 10 job knowp
not in manuscript: addy what-as-more om., 11 Heading: C^o 3^o, new division;
12 correct, 13 darkness, 14 Ex... om.: that his om., 15 in quadrilateral
om., next in just religious follows dogma, 15 baptis, 21 in a, 23 cap.

2 4^o 1^o 1^o principal om., end om., 1 2 first & om., 1 3 scholien, 1 11
scripta men to you when is om., 1 16 y filled, 1 20 y filled: water, p. 45 l. 4
depre, 2-3 of his father & as alle jelle men has for[e]front of have
square om.

June v 23 Heading: Paula in p. Remigius in red ink: as is, 21 reg-
vantage, v l Heading: C^o 6^o, new division; schol or a, 2 schol, 4 res,
12 ben inven m., 13 correct, 17 habeb, 19 eye, vii l C^o 7^o in marg., ache is
d., 1 one of one side is measure of half inch before mea, 3 dep, 13 put
a minute one minute more: no may but res prod. change dep to me. put
me be p. want eye than me here see p. vii: equal parv p. a., 14 & y aside,
14 not use is, 21 side not, vii l Heading: C^o 2^o, 4 fulfills, 7 to be
here, 17 suppose with C., 21 first & om., 23 habeb, 30 last is om., 31 schol,
32 eye, 33 is, 34 end no om., 36 fur, 37 touch, xii l Heading: C^o 13^o:
habeb, 2 confirmed, receiving p. end & om., 4 habeb, 6 to added above the
line, 3 be, 14 is side p., 15 I not get it more be in but put it is of you. have
p. p. vii it's new, 21 not use is, xii l Heading: C^o 13^o: could be twice,
2 a power be exequation be irregularity of god & who put exequation
previous prob. item off, 3 is p. line, 9 schol: 4th no om., 10 end, 12 u.
eye, 14 Item Crist.

1 Cor.: 10 Heading: 1st Corintheos C^o 1^o, eye, 12 eye, 13 or when
p., 14 pade, 15 eye, 16 house, 17 percip, 19 p. sydon of om., 25 vider
has mea: & put is fidel of that is om., 26 2nd money om., 29 noy om.,
ii l Heading: C^o 2^o, 4 p. verus, 6 no v., 5 I have, 13 no om., 14 bestliche,
16 habeb, iii l Heading: C^o 3^o, 2 p. souje, 3 strynges, 5 in om.:
habeb, 13 which is everyke mannes v., 15 bea as twice, v l Heading:
C^o 5^o, 7 pade lunde, 8 be pefusa, 11 ope a dr., 12 2nd of om., vi l Head-
ing: C^o 6^o, 2 habeb, 4 habeb: last vort, 5 eye, 6 stryuch, 8 & gyle,
11 2nd p. om., 13 distr. hope p. woale &, 14 arered, 15 p. om.: goddes
forbade, vii l Heading: C^o 7^o, of pille, 2 a eye, 4 last no om., 5 first p.

om., 6 *seye*, 9 first *pei* in marg., 10 *togedere* om., 11—13 *ache* for *heo*, 16 *ache*, 18 last *he* om., 22 & *his fr.*, 25 *no*, 28 *ache*: *neyper*, 29 *habbeþ*, 33 *how* om., 34 *ache*: *he* crossed through with *ache* in marg., 36 *ache*: 2nd *he* om.; *ache* for *he*, *heo*, 39, 40 *ache* for *heo*, xi 1 Heading: C^m 11^m, 5 *ache*, 6 *ache* for *heo*: *y* todded for *y-dodded*, 7 last *a* above the line, 12 *w. is of*, 16 *non*, 17 for *þe worse*. & *nozt* for *þe betere*. *first whan ze comeþ togydere* follows *togedere*, 23 *n^a* *þe sacrement* scribbled in marg., 27 *oper*, 31 *demeden*: *ne* om., 34 *selfe*, xii 1 Heading: C^m 12^m, *ne* om., xiii 1 Heading: C^m 13^m, 5 *pinkeþ*, 10 *a voyded*, 11 *bute* (crossed through) follows first *was*, 13 *alle* for *þese*.

2 Cor. vi 1 Heading: 2^a *Cor*, 7 *armes*, 10 last *þat* om.: *habbeþ*, 14 *rystful men*, 16 *þe lyuyngs*.

Gal. v 2 Heading: *Galatas* C^m 5^m; *And to Galathes he wryteþ & seiþ* om., 8 gloss om., 23 gloss om., 25 *no* division in MS., *walke we in spyrty* om., vi 1 Heading: C^m 6^m, new division; 2 *burdenes*, 4 in *hymaeluen*. & *nozt* in *anoþer man*: *burdene*.

Ephes. iv 1 Heading: *Ad hepheayos* C^m 4^m, 13 *forte*, 17 in *wytneße* for & *w.*, 24 *þow*, v 1 Heading: C^m 5^m, 2 *zaf*, 3 *y-nempned*, 4 *no*, 11 *vn-rystful w.*, 14 *þou þat al.*: *up þou*, 23 *chirche*, 27 *no such*, vi 1 Heading: C^m 6^m, 3 *wel*, 6 *to þee as*, 11 *upon*, 20 gloss om.: in *Iesu I*, 24 in *incorruptyoun*.

Phil i 27 Heading: *Ad philipenses* C^m 1^m, *I here*, 30 & *þat*, ii 1 Heading: C^m 2^m, 4 *owne þing*, 12 *herbyfore* for *herd b.*, 18 *ze to me*, iii 1 C^m 3^m in marg., 5 *kynde of B.*, 8 omission=S.P., 10 in *þe w.*, 16 *to-fele we*, iv 1 Heading: C^m 4^m, 6 *bysechynges*: & *doynge*, 8 *oper chaste*, 9 & *pylke*.

Col. i 9 Heading: *Colocenses* C^m 1^m; *w. in eueriche*, 23 *ȝif* om.: *im-muable*, 25 *dispensacyoun*, 29 *hym* om., ii 1 Heading: C^m 2^m, 16 *neomenye*, 19 *iuyntes*, 23 *ne* om., iii 1 Heading: C^m 3^m, 6 *þe* for *þat*, 7 in *þe whiche ze w.*, 11 *nozt*, 25 *ne* om., iv 1 Heading: C^m 4^m, new division.

1 Thea. i 2 Heading: *Tessalonisences* C^m 1^m, 3 *mynde* om., 4 *ze* om., 8 *word*: *of youre*, 10 *loue* for *Sone*, ii 1 C^m 2^m in marg., new division; *it* om., 4 *we w.*, 9 last *of* om., 12 *walkeden*, 14 in *Iude*, 17 *from þou in mounþ*, 19 *ze it nozt*, iii 1 Heading: C^m 3^m, 4 *as we kn.*, 6 *m. of us*, 7 *your n.*: *your tr.*, 9 *al.* om., iv 1 Heading: C^m 4^m, 4 *o. his owne*, 6 *it* om., 7 *den-nesse*, 9 *lyue*, 10 *þat ze doþ*, 12 *habbeþ*, 14 *herbyfore*, v 1 Heading: C^m 5^m, 14 *c. hem of*, 15 *euermore schewe*.

2 Thea. i 3 Heading: *Secunda tessalonicenses*, C^m 1^m, 4 in *alle youre p.*, 7 *angele*, ii 1 C^m 2^m in marg., 5 *was* om., iii 1 Heading: C^m 3^m, *be ze*, 7 *ne* om., 9 *y-had* om., 14 *who*.

Hebr. i 1 Heading: *hebreus* C^m 1^m; *Seynt Poule* for *he*, ii 1 C^m 2^m in marg.; *yherd*, 8 *he* for *it*: *leueþ*, 12 *my name*, 13 *trust*: *God* om., 14 *to his bl.*, iii 1 C^m 3^m in marg., 6 *a* om., 13 *by* om., iv 1 Heading: C^m 4^m, *f. þerynne*, 3 2nd *my* om., 7 *D. is*, 12 *peryschynge*: *iuyntes* for *myndes*, 14 *hap* om., v 1 Heading: C^m 5^m first *men* om.: *her synnes*, 4 *God as* om., 12 *y maade maystres*, vi 1 Heading: C^m 6^m, 2 *p. in*, 7 *f. eftsones upon*, 8 *nys keruyng*, 18 *we han þe strengest solas we þat goþ togedere* om., vii 1 Heading: C^m 7^m, 2 *tenþis*, 19 *we neyzede*, 27 *f. oure gultes*, viii 1 Heading:

C^m 8^m; *age of þe om.*: & *hys*, 7 *þe rafter*, 8 *Israel & on þe hous of om.*, 9 *in þat d.*, ix 1 C^m 9^m in marg., 5 *ouer sch.*, 10 *d. werchynges*, 13 *aren*, 17 *at wayleþ*, 19 *sprengde þe blod on al*, 23 *þoru*, 26 *Oþer elles*, 27 Heading: C^m 10^m, new division; x 5 *deyrest*, 7 *of*, crossed through, precedes *God*, 8 *synne*: *vnto þe*, 9 *þat þat he f.*, 23 *last he om.*, 29 *more trowe þe þat*: *gret t.*, 37 *he schal*, 39 *of wyþdrawyngs om.*, xi 1 Heading: C^m 11^m, 4 *þe wifche*: *bar*, 11 *sche*, 13 *afer þilke byhestes*, 24 *was y maad*, 30 *fellen*, 34 *y ben made*, xii 1 C^m 12^m in marg., 3 *byþenke*: *ayeynseye*: *y weyryed*, 4 *ayeynstonde*, 6 *scourgeþ*, 8 *ne om.*, 12 *arereþ*, 19 *þe trumps*: *for þat þe word ne sch.*, 21 *quake*, 23 *pryuytyfes*: *domes men*, 27 *inmeuable*, 28 *in meuable*, xiii 1 Heading: C^m 13^m, new division; *dwellen*, 17 *walkeþ*.

1 Tim. i 1 Heading: *Tymotheum* C^m 1^m, 2 *by grace &*, 4 *þe om.*, 5 *y feyned*, 9 2nd *ne om.*, 10 *holy t.*, 18 *prophetes*: *habbeþ om.*, 19 *þe om.*, 20 *ymene*, ii 1 Heading: C^m 2^m, 5 *first & om.*, 6 *yaf*, 9 *a om.*: *gold*: *ne for oþer*, iii 1 Heading: C^m 3^m, 3 *no om.*, 4 *first þat om.*, 8 *defence*, 11 *& synne w.*, 13 *a gre*: *þe om.*: *lord*, 14 *you*, 15 *þat þou wete om.*, iv 1 Heading: C^m 4^m, 6 *purposyng*, 13 *for I*, v 1 2nd *hym om.*, 3 *þat beþ trewe twice*, 4 C^m 5^m as heading, new division; 4 *newes*: *sche*, 5, 6, 10 *sche for heo*, *he*, 11 *þei nylleþ noȝt b. y wedded in crist*, 12 *haueþ*, 16 *haþ* in marg., 18 *þin are*, vi 1 Heading: C^m vi^m, *þilke* above the line, & in *worshipen* above the line: *in alle*, 10 *of om.*, 13 *þinge*: *yaf*, 16 *nouþer*, 17 *bidde*.

2 Tim. i 1 Heading: 2^o *thymothe 1^o*, *epystela*, 5 *byþenkyng*, 5 *cunges*, 15 *þigelus*, 16 *ofte tymes*, ii 1 Heading: C^m 2^m, 2 *to om.*: *first men om.*, 3 *as om.*, iii 1 Heading: C^m 3^m, 3 *noȝt m.*: *fromward*, 8 *iamnes*, 10 *gloss om.*, 11 *last me om.*, 12 *þilke om.*

Titus i 5, *Tyte* C^m 1^m in marg.: *to on of*, 7 *as þe*, 12 *yude beotes*, 16 *repreued* follows *werke*, ii 1 C^m 2^m in marg., 3 *chydesteres*, 4 *also om.*, 5 *h. þe charge of*, 14 *yaf*: *fore byggen*, iii 1 Heading: C^m 3^m, 5 *noȝt in þe*: *saueþ*, 10 *schonye*.

NOTES.

PROLOGUE.

Page 1, line 1. Gen. i 27. 1. 2. Gen. ii 8 ff. P. 2 l. 4 ff. Ia.
xiv 13, 14. 1. 35 ff. Gen. iii. P. 4 l. 6 ff. Gen. iv. 1. 11 ff. Gen. vi
5-7. 1. 16 ff. Gen. vii. 1. 20 ff. Gen. ix 11-13. P. 6 l. 5. Job
xxviii 28. 1. 9. Jer. xxix 13. P. 8 l. 2. *scole*, the university.
Cf. Matthew, *Engl. Works of Wyclif hitherto unprinted*, E.E.T.S. No. 74,
p. 427, 'for collegies in oxneford & caumbrige ben foundid on sicke approp-
pingia, & collegians wenden out & prechen & quykenen many partis of
england; & degre takun in scole makip goddis word more acceptable, & þe
puple trowip betere þerto whanne it is seyð of a maistir.' 1. 25 ff.
Exod. i 13, 14. 1. 30 f. Exod. iii, iv. 1. 32 ff. Exod. xi 10. P. 9 l. 5 ff.
Exod. xiv. 1. 15 ff. Exod. xx. P. 10 l. 9 ff. Exod. xix. 1. 21 ff.
Exod. xx 19. 1. 28 ff. Exod. xxi-xxiii. P. 11 l. 6 ff. Exod. xxiv 12-
xxviii. 1. 16 ff. Exod. xxxii 1 ff. P. 12 l. 14 ff. Exod. xxxiii.
P. 13 l. 5 ff. Exod. xxxiv. 1. 14 f. Vulgate, Exod. xxxiv 30 *videntes*
autem...cornutam Moysi faciem, ib. 35 *faciem egredientis Moysi cornutam*.
Cf. Lyra's gloss *Wycl. Bible* I 277 beemes of wondurful schynnyng yeden
from him at the maner of hornes, whiche the postle in ii. pistle to Cor. iii C^o
clepith the glorie of Moyses face, wherfor in Ebreu it is thus, Israel knew
not that the skyn of his face was horned. 1. 16 ff. Exod. xxxiv 5.
1. 19 ff. Exod. xxxvii 1 ff. 11. 25-32. Exod. xl 34-38. P. 14 ll. 1, 2.
Exod. xxviii 1, 41. 1. 3 ff. Num. iii 6 ff. 1. 5 ff. Num. iv. 1. 18 ff.
Exod. xxi-xxiii. P. 15 l. 20 ff. Lev. xi, Deut. xiv. P. 16 l. 15 ff.
Lev. xiii. 1. 17 ff. Lev. xiv. 1. 22 ff. Lev. xv. P. 17 l. 14 ff.
Lev. xii. 1. 24 ff. Lev. xxiii.

I PETER.

Chap. 13. þe *Fader*] A. *et pater*. 3ow] A. *nos*. on *hope*] A. *Spem*
vivam; the scribe evidently read *unam*. 6. in þe whyche tyme 3e
schuleþ ioyen. And now 3ef...] A. In quo exultatis, modicum nunc si
oportet, LV. In which 3e schulen make ioye, thouz it bihoueth. 8. þat
3e seþ noȝt] A. in quem *nunc quoque* non videntes. but *whan 3e seþ hym*] A.
quem cum videritis, EV. forsothe 3e bileuyng, LV. but 3e that bileuen
= *cl. credentes autem*. 11. þat *telleþ as þe spyrȝt...*] A. *scrutantes in*
quod vel quale tempus significaret in eis spiritus Christi, cf. EV. *sekinge*

which or what maner tyme the spirit of Crist signyfede in hem. 12. *þat þei...schulde...mynystre*] A. quia...ministrabant, LV. for...thei mynystriden.

13. *þeþ sober in alle þinges & parfyt &*] A. sobrii, perfecte sperate, but Lect. Luxov. (Sab.) and 'Biblia Sacra' Basilea 1514 have *perfecti*, LV. sobre, perfit and hope *þe*. *is y-prefed*] A. offertur, MS. H.

has rightly *y-profered*. 17. *þoure Fader*] A. patrem. *þoure wonynge in þis worlde*] A. incolatus vestri, EV. *þoure pilgrimage, or liul dwellinge in erthe*, LV. *þoure pilgrimage*.

21. *an euerlastynge blisse*] E and LV. *euerelastynge glory*, A. *cl. gloriam*. 24. *& his blisse is þe flour*] A. *et omnis gloria eius tamquam flos*.

Chap. ii 1. *gyle*] A. *omnem malitiam*. 4. *a ston*] A. *lapidem vivum*, MS. H. p. 226 has rightly 'a quik ston.'

5. *spiryual houses*] A. *domus spiritualis*; Hieron. in Ezoch. 28 tom. 3, col. 897 *domus spirituales*; *g. Beda etc. domos spiritales*.

6. *ich wole putten*] A. *pono*; Hieron. in Ezoch. tom. 3, col. 897, MS. Corb. 2 (Sab.) *ponam*; E and LV. I shal putte (LV. sette).

8. *of scaundre*] A. *petra scandali*. 11. *My leueste frendes*] A. *Carissimi*. 16. *& be þe fre, noȝt hauynge...*] A. *quasi liberi*, et non *quasi relamen* habentes *malitiæ libertatem*.

18. *& be þe sogetis*] A. *serri*, subditi; *cl. adds estote*. 19. *suffrey etc.*] A. *si...sustinet quis tristitias patiens iniusta*.

21. *for Crist*] A. *quia & Christus*. 24. For the omission see MS. H. p. 226;—*we beþ*] A. *estis*; Ambros. l. 1 de Spir. S. tom. 2, col. 623, Fulgentius l. 1 ad Trasim. c. 11, p. 79 *sumus*,

E and LV. *þe ben*, but EV. (MS. X) 'wee ben.' 25. *erreden*] A. *errantes*; MS. H. p. 226 has rightly 'þat erreden.'

Chap. iii 2. *a...conuersacioun*] A. *conuersationem vestram*. 3. A. *Quarum sit non extrinsecus capillatura aut circumdatio auri aut indumenti vestimentorum cultus*.

4. *of a softe spyrte in reste*] A. in incorruptibilitate quieti et modesti spiritus. 7. *with wymmen*] A. *om.*; August. l. de bono conjug. to. 6, col. 328 (Sab.) *cum uxoribus vestris*.

þan þe beþ] add. 12. *of God*] A. *domini*. *sterne semblaunt*] A. *vultus*. 15. *of þe feiþ & of þe hope þat*] de fide et spe quæ=*tol. cav. harl. 1772 etc.*, cf. Berger, *Vulg.* pp. 51, 163; A. de ea quæ in vobis est spe; E and LV. of that feith and hope that is in you.

21. *oure Lord*] = E and LV.; A. *om.* 22. *þe weren y-mad*] A. *efficeremur*.

Chap. iv 1. *his—alle manere*] add. 4. *we...hurneþ*] A. *concurrentibus vobis*. *oure God*] add.

7. *comeþ nys*] A. *adpropinquabit*, E and LV. *schal neize*. 11. *oure Lord*] add. = E and LV. 12. *My leueste breperen*] A. *Carissimi*.

13. *of oure Lord I. C.*] A. *eius*. 14. *his*] A. *Christi*. *For þe Spyrte etc.*] A. *quoniam gloriæ dei spiritus in vobis requiescit ab aliis blasphematus, a vobis autem honorificatus*;

cl. quoniam quod est honoris, gloriæ, et virtutis Dei, & qui est ejus Spiritus super vos requiescit.

16. *þoroȝ a rystful*] A. in isto, the translator evidently read *iusto*. 17. *þow*] A. *nobis*.

Chap. v 1. *a wytnesse*] A. *consenior et testis*. 3. *of þoure wylla, of þoure soule*] A. *ex animo*.

9. *he dop in þe same wyse*] A. *eandem passionem...feri*; LV. that the same passioun is maad. 10. *blesse*] A. *gloriam in Christo Iesu*.

II PETER.

Chap. i 2. *Iesu Crist*] A. om.; but Auct. epist. ad Demetriad. p. 46 (Sab.) adds *Iesu Christi*. 4. *we ben y-maad*] A. efficiamini, Hieron. cont. Jovin. tom. 4, p. 2 efficiamur. *corrupcyoun*] A. *concupiscentias* corruptionem. 5. A. Vos autem curam omnem *subinferentes* ministrare. 8. *ben*] A. *adsint et superent*. 12. *warne*] A. *semper* commonere. 16. *vnuyse*] A. *cl. doctas; ex indoctas*; E and LV. *vnwise*. *oure Lord*] A. *domini nostri Iesu Christi*. 21. *of God*] misplaced, A. *sancti dei homines*.

Chap. ii 4. *bote prew* etc.] A. Sed *rugientibus inferni detractos* in tartarum tradidit in iudicium cruciandos reservari. 5. a *bedel & a fore-goere*] A. *praconem*. 15. *& Booyor*] A. *ex Bosor*. 20. *Lord*] A. *domini...et salvatoria*. 22. *forto caste*] A. *ad suum vomitum*; EV. to his woom or *castyng up*; LV. to his *castyng*.

Chap. iii 1. *to sters jow* etc.] A. *excito vestram in commonitionem sinceram mentem*; LV. Y *stire joure clere soule bi monesting togidere*. 2. *aposteles*] A. *apostolorum vestrorum*. *holy 2...oure...oure*] add. 7. *y-kept...*] A. *repositi sunt, igni reservati*. 8. *my dere frendes*] A. *carissimi*. 9. *God*] A. *dominus*. 11. *we*] A. *vos*. 12. *of oure Lord*] A. *dei domini*. 14. Cf. 1 Pet. iv 12. 15. *Iesu Crist*] = E and LV.; om. A. 17. *poroy joure owene infirmyte*] A. a *propria firmitate* = E and LV. *fro joure owne sadnesse*.

JAMES.

Chap. i 1. *pat is a seruaunt of oure Lord & oure God I. C.*] A. *dei et domini nostri I. C. seruus*. *hele and gretynge*] A. *salutem*. 2. *Breperen*] A. *fratres mei*. 5. *obbraydeþ no man*] A. *non inproperat, & dabitur ei*. 6. *in feip & trust*] A. *in fide*. 7. *of God*] A. *a domino*. 11. *his sayrnesse*] A. *decor uultus eius*. 17. A. *Omne datum optimum et omne donum perfectum*. *ouer-schadewynge of rewardynge*] A. *uiciassitudinis obumbratio*, EV. *schadewing of whileness, or tyme*, LV. *ouer-schadewyng of reward*. 19. *wel*] add. 21. *caste 3e...from jow*] A. *abicientes*. *þe word*] A. *verbum dei*, F. *ff. om. dei*. *pat is y-sowe to jow*] A. *insitum*. 23. *hym-selfen*] A. *uultum nativitatis suae*.

Chap. ii 1. *my dere breperen*] A. *Fratres mei*. 2. *on his hond*] A. om.; *ff. in digitos*. 3. *pat is wel cloped*] A. *qui indutus est ueste praeclara*, LV. *clothid with clere clothing*. *& seye*] A. *et dixeritis ei*, F. *ff. et dicatis*. 6. *hure myst*] A. *potentiam*. 8. A. *Diliges proximum tuum sicut te ipsum*. 10. *of al þe lawe*] A. *omnium*. 16. *seye*] A. *dicat...illis, Ite in pace*. *oper*] A. *et*. 20. *ded*] A. *mortua*, by correction *otiosa*, *ff. uacua*, F. *otiosa*, E and LV. *ydel*. 23. *to his God*] A. *deo*. 25. *hure werkes*] A. *operibus*. *Goddes*] add.

Chap. iii 3. *For*] A. *Si autem*. 4. *And grete schyppes þat*] A. *Ecce et naues cum magnae sint et a validis etc.* *whydur þat he wole* etc.] A. *ubi impetus dirigentis uoluerit*, LV. *where the meuyng of the gouernour*

wole; *f.* et ubicumque diriguntur uoluntate eorum qui eas gubernant.
 6. A. et inflammat rotam natiuitatis nostrae, inflammata a gebenna.
 7. *beþ y-temed*] A. domantur et domata sunt. 8. *for it is a...*
wip-outen reste] A. inquietum malum. 9. A. deum et patrem.
 14. A. nolite gloriari et mendaces esse. 15. *bote it is an erpelyche*
wysdom—wysdom—wysdom] A. sed terrena animalis diabolica. 17. *dis-*
cret & temperat] A. modesta. & *assentynges to goode þinges*] A. om.;
m. F. bonis consentiens, *f.* uerocundiae c.; E and LV. consentynge to
 goode thingia. *demynges*] = E and LV.; F. iudicans, *m.* diiudicans, A. non
 iudicans.

Chap. iv 1. *þat beþ in*] A. quae militant in. 2. *þe werreþ; þe etc.*] A. belligeratis et non habetis, F. om. et. 3. *vnderfongeþ*] F. *f.* accipitis, A. accipietis. *scheweþ openlyche*] = LV., *scheweþ* EV., but A. has
 'insumatis,' *f.* crogetia. 8. *wole neyzeleche*] A. adpropinquauit, F. -bit.
 9. A. Miseri estote et lugete et plorate. Cf. EV. Be *þe wrecces in þoure*
owne iȝen, and *weyle þe*, and *wepe þe*, LV. Be *þe wr.* and *weile þe*.
 10. *wole arere*] A. exaltavit, F. -bit.

Chap. v 1. *her-after*] add. 4. *cryeþ an his*] A. clamat.
 7. *schoures þat perteneþ etc.*] A. temporaneum et serotinum, EV. tymeful
 and lateful, LV. adds *frugt*. Cf. *f.* matutinum et serotinum fructum.
 9. *tofore*] A. ad, F. *f.* ante. 10. *of an esel yssew*] cl. exitus mali, *f.* de
 malis passionibus, A. F. om., E and LV. of *yuel goynge out*. of longe
abydynges & of pacyence] A. patientiae. *oure Lord*] A. domini. 11. &
þei han y-seyd... & abyde] *f.* Ecce beatos dicimus qui sustinuerunt, A. Ecce
 beatificamus qui sustinuerunt, E and LV. Lo, we blessen hem *þat suffriden*.
þe suffrynges & þe abydynges] A. sufferentiam. 14. *oure L.*] A. domini.
 15. *of his sakenesse*] add. 17. *lyche to þow*] *f.* similis nobis, A. adds
passibilia.

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Chap. i 5. *oure*] add.

Chap. ii 3. *wel*] add. 8. *now*] A. om., *h.* iam. 12. *in þe name*
of Crist] A. propter nomen eius. 14. F. *g.* etc. Scribo vobis, patres,
 quia cognovistis eum qui ab initio est. The verse is omitted in A. cl. *h.*,
 E and LV. etc.; see Berger, *Fulg.* p. 128, 5. *I wryte to þow, þonge men*] A.
scripsi vobis; h. cl. F. scribo vobis; E and LV. Y write. 18. & *þe*
habbeþ y-herd] A. et sicut audistis. 19. *bote in þis etc.*] A. sed ut
manifesti sint quoniam non sunt omnes ex nobis; *h.* sed ut praesto fiat etc.;
g. om. omnes, E and LV. but that thei be knowun, that (EV. for) thei ben
 not of vs. 20. *Spiȝyt*] add. 24. A. Si in vobis permanerit quod ab
 initio audistis et vos in filio et patre manebitis. 25. *þat he wol zeuen*
þow] add. 27. *ich haue y-tauȝt*] A. docuit.

Chap. iii 1. *knoweþ*] A. novit. 2. Cf. 1 Pet. iv 12. 3. *þis hope*] A.
 spem hanc in eo. 4. Cf. MS. H. p. 226 for the correct rendering.
 6. *knoweþ...sey*] A. vidit...cognovit. 12. *wykkeþ*] A. ex maligno.
 17. of *þis world*] cl. *g. h.* huius mundi; A. mundi, E and LV. of this world.
 23. of *God*] A. ejus.

- Chap. iv 5. of *his* worlde] A. mundi. 12. of *God*] A. eius.
 20. *he loueþ*] A. diligo.
 Chap. v 6. *þes comeþ* etc.] A. Hic est qui venit..., Iesus Christus.
 7, 8. A. 'Quia tres sunt qui testimonium dant, spiritus et aqua et sanguis, et tres unum sunt'; cl. 'Quoniam tres sunt, qui testimonium dant in coelo: pater, verbum, & spiritus sanctus: & hi tres unum sunt. Et tres sunt qui testimonium dant in terra: spiritus, & aqua, & sanguis: & hi tres unum sunt.' Our text agrees with cl. except in having substituted the gloss *filius* for *verbum* and *sanguis et aqua* for *a. et sanguis*. Cf. Berger, *Vulg.* pp. 64, 104.
 10. *for he haþ* etc.] A. quoniam non credidit in testimonio quod testificatus est deus de filio suo. 12. *Goddess—Goddess*] add. 13. *y wryte*] A. scripsi, cl. g. scribo. 14. *we schuleþ vnderfongen it—&*] add.; A. has 'quia quodcumque petierimus secundum voluntatem eius, audit nos.' 17. & *þer is synne þat is noȝt*] A. cl. et est peccatum; E & LV. and there is synne; our text agrees with the Greek, cf. Auth. Version 'and there is a sin not unto death.' 19. *y-boren*] add. 21. *mawmetes & symulacris*] A. simulachria.

II JOHN.

4. *oure*] add. 7. *He þat soþly...in flesch*] add. 8. *ȝoure*] add.
 9. *Wyte ȝe þat*] A. cl. om., E and LV. Witynge þat; the French xiii c. Bible MS. Brit. Mus. 20. B.V. 'Saichent' *his*] add. 10. *ȝoure*] A. om., C. vestram. 11. *Lo, y haue...noȝt confounded*] A. cl. om.; *ex.* Ecce prædixi vobis ut in die Domini non confundamini; E and LV. and MS. 20. B.V. (see r. 9) have the same addition. 12. *wryte hem*] add. *by lettere ne by sendyng*] glosses, A. per cartam et atramentum; E and LV. bi parchemyn and ynke. *with ȝow*] add. 13. *ȝoure chosen þi suster douȝter*] A. filii sororis tuæ electæ; g. sorores filie. *þe grace of God etc.*] = E and LV.; A. om.

III JOHN.

1. to dere *frend*] A. carissimo. 2. Dere *frend*] A. carissime. *my*] add. 4. of *charyte*] A. om.; g. caritatis. 5, 6. *My dere frend*] A. carissime. *oure—holy*] add. 7. *his*] A. om.; cl. eius. 9. *ȝow*] A. nos. 10. *y schal moue*] A. commoneam, cl. commonebo. The translator evidently read *commovebo*. LV. Y schal moneste. *ȝow*] A. nos. 11. Cf. v. 5 above. 12. *goode men—of hym*] add. *of treweþe*] A. ab ipsa veritate. 13. *y haue*] A. habui. *with lettere etc.*] A. nolui per atramentum et calamus scribere tibi. 14. *þi frendes*] A. amici, MS. Cantab. (Sab.) amici tui. *oure*] add.

JUDE.

1. *chose*] A. dilectis, evidently misread *delectis*. 3. Dere *frendes*] A. carissimi; MSS. H. and D. have rightly *frendes*. *stryue...in upholydng* of þe feiþ] A. supercertari...fidei. *azeyn synne*] add. 4. This verse is

- Chap. xiii 1. *pat beþ...þan heo*] add. 2. See MS. H. p. 227.
 4. *his sw.*] A. *gladium*. 7. A. 'cui vectigal, vectigal,' *om.* here.
 9. *Dou ne schalt seye no fals wyttnesse*] *cl. g.* non falsum testimonium dices,
 E and LV. Thou schalt not seie fals witnessynge; A. F. *e. d. f. om.* þi
neygebores good] *rem* proximi tui (= *g.* Bibl. Nat. 6, 140 etc., cf. Berger,
Vulg. p. 76), E and LV. the thing of thi neyþore, A. F. *cl. e. d. f. om.*
 11. A. Et hoc scientes tempus, quia hora est iam nos surgere. *pat it*
were] add. 12. *wote neyþlyche*] *f.* adpropinquabit, A. *e. d.* adpropiauit.
 Cf. LV. hath neyþed, but EV. schal neyþe. 14. *oure L. Iesu*] A. dominum
 I. *Christum*.

I CORINTHIANS.

- Chap. i 10. *ze suggen*] A. *dicatis omnes*. 11. A. *Significatum est...*
mihī de vobis, fratres mei, ab his qui sunt Cloes, quia etc. 12. *Petur*]
 A. *Cephae*. 21. A. *Nam quia in dei sapientiam*.
 Chap. ii 4. *mannes w.*] *g. cl. humanas sapientiae*, A. F. *e. f. d. om.*
 10. *hap y-schewed*] F. *cl. f. e. d. revelavit*, A. -bit. 13. *of þe Spiry]*
 A. *spiritus et virtutis*, F. *cl. f. e. d. spiritus*. 14. *Spiry]* A. *sp. dei*.
 15. *For it is y-wryten*] 'Sicut scriptum est' Scholiast. Hieron., Beda (Sab.),
 E and LV. As it is writun, A. F. *cl. f. e. d. om.* 16. *bote þe Spiry]* of
oure Lord] Nisi Spiritus Domini (= Bibl. Nat. 254, Laud 102, Bibl. Nat. 6,
 93, etc. cf. Berger, *Vulg.* pp. 76, 99), A. F. *cl. e. d. f. om.* *wyt & þe vnder-*
stondynge] A. *sensum*.
 Chap. iii 1. *herbyfore*] add. 3. *after þe flesch*] A. *secundum*
hominem, E and LV. *aftr man*. 5. *God*] = E and LV.; A. *dominus*.
 6. *oure Lord ȝefep*] A. *deus...dedit*. 13. *of oure Lord*] F. *cl. f. domini*;
 E and LV. of the Lord; A. *e. d. om.* *whuch mannes*] A. *et uniuscuiusque*
opus quale sit ignis probabit. Cf. MS. H. p. 227. 14. *& dwelleþ]*
 A. Si cuius opus manserit quod superaedificavit, mercedem accipiet.
 17. *for ze beþ etc.*] A. *templum enim dei sanctum est, quod estis vos*.
 22. *Petur*] A. *Cephae*.
 Chap. v 1. A. *Omnino auditur*, LV. In al maner. 2. *no*] A. non
magis. 4. *in my sp.] A. et meo spiritu*. of *oure L.] A. domini*.
 5. *oure...Crist*] A. *om., e. d.* add 'Christi,' F. *cl. f. nostri...Christi*. 6. *al-*
to-geder] A. *totam massam*, E and LV. *al the gobet*. 7. *þerfore—þoure]*
 add. 10. *wharto—þe world*] A. *alioquin debueratis de hoc mundo exisse*,
 E and LV. *ellis ze schulden haue go out of this world*. 11. *of þow]* add.
 Chap. vi 1. *any þing*] A. *negotium*, E and LV. *a cause*. 4. *y-left*
worþi] A. *contemptibiles*; H. has correctly *lest worþi*; the corrupt reading
 of S. and P. is due to the long *s* being misread *f.* 8. *in gyle*] A. *et*
fraudatis, cf. MS. H. p. 227. 10. A. *neque molles, neque masculorum*
etc. *ne glotones*] add. 13, 14. *oure L.—oure L.] add.* 17. *God]*
 A. *domino*.
 Chap. vii 5. *certeȝn tyme of þoure boþe assent*] A. *forte ex consensu ad*
tempus. 6. *to þow]* add. 12. *A man þat]* A. Si quis *frater*.

13. & þe w. þat] A. et si qua mulier. 16. A. Unde enim scis, mulier, si virum saluum facies? aut unde scis, vir, si mulierem saluam facies? 20. to-fore God] A. in ea. 22. serfaunt & is freman] A. Qui...vocatus est servus, libertus est domini. 24. broþer] A. cl. f. fratres; m. frater; F. om. 25. commaundement] A. praeceptum domini. 27. vnbounden] A. solutus es ab uxore. 32. of þe worlde] add. 35. oure Lord] A. dominum. 39. from þe laice of hure housbonde] A. cl. e. d. f. om., F. a lege, m. a lege viri. God] A. domino.

Chap. xi 10. helyng] velamen Iren. i. c. 7 p. 37, Hier. Exech. 44 col. 1030, August. l. 2 de Gen. to. 1, col. 682 c, Beda in 1 Cor. (Sab.); potestatem A. cl. e. d. f. 11. oure L.] A. domino. 12. Cf. MS. H. p. 228. 16. of þow] add. 17. For the omitted words see MS. H. p. 228.

Chap. xii 3. Oure L.] A. dominus. 9. grace of helynge men] A. F. cl. e. d. m. f. gratia sanitarum in uno spiritu; T. om. in uno sp. 11. on] A. unus atque idem. 14. for on etc.] A. Corpus non est unum membrum. 15. A. Quoniam non sum manus. 23. we doþ etc.] A. abundantiores honestatem habent. 28. interpretacyons of w.] = E and LV. cl. T. ambstr.; om. A. F. e. d.

Chap. xiii 2. eueriche] om. A. F. cl. e. d. f., 'omnem' in August. tract. 7 col. 343 (Sab.). from hure places] A. om., EV. fro o place to another (gloss), LV. fro her place. 13. þes] A. tria haec.

II CORINTHIANS.

Chap. vi 1. breþeren—þow] add. 3. þoure] A. nostrum. 8. A. sicut qui ignoti et cogniti. 15. þe defel] A. Belial. 16. F...wole wronen] A. quoniam inhabitabo...et inambulabo, LV. For...and Y schal walke among hem.

GALATIANS.

Chap. v 5. 3e ne abideþ noȝt] A. nos...expectamus. 8. Ne assente 3e to no man in þis] A. F. cl. e. d. om., g. f. Nemini consenseritis; EV. To no man consente 3e, LV. c. 3e to no man. 10. oure L.] A. domino. 12. he were y-kut] A. abscindantur. 13. My br.] A. fratres. 16. þow in Crist] A. cl. F. e. d. f. om.; Hieron. Schol., Beda (Sab.) in Christo, EV. in Crist, LV. þow in Crist. in Crist] A. spiritu. desyres] f. cl. desideria; A. F. desiderium. 20. wycche-craftes] = LV.; doyngis of venym EV., veneficia A. 22. pacyence, longe abydynges] A. F. f. longanimitas; e. d. patientia, Beda (Sab.) patientia longanimitas, cf. further Berger, *Vulg.* pp. 129, 203. 23. mansuetude] A. F. om.; cl. e. d. f. mansuetudo. chastite] cl. f. C. castitas, e. d. castitatis; A. F. om., cf. Berger, *Vulg.* pp. 129, 203.

Chap. vi 4. A. in semet ipso tantum gloriam habebit et non altero. 17. markes of þe woundes] A. stigmata.

EPHESIANS.

Chap. iv 1. *oure* L.] A. domino. 8. *þrowz away wrecchednesse*] A. captivam duxit captivitatem. 11. *of þe worldes*] A. sanctorum. 16. A. ex quo totum corpus *compactum et conerum* per omnem *iuncturam* subministrationis. 17. *þow—to þow*] add. 18. *derke*] add. *wey*] A. F. e. d. m. f. vita; Aug. in Ps. 118, Gildas Sap. Castig. (Sab.) 'via.' 22. A. deponere vos *secundum* *pristinam conversationem* veterem hominem. 23. *here byfore*] add. 29. *of þe feiþ*] F. cl. e. d. m. f. fidei, A. oportunitatis, E and LV. of *feip*.

Chap. v 3. as it *bysemþ noȝt*] A. sicut docet. 4. *to God*] add. 8. *oure* L.] A. domino. 18. *leccherye*] A. *omnis* luxuria. 20, 22. *oure* L.] A. domino. 20. *þe Fader*] A. et patri. 23. *of holy chu[r]che*] cl. *ambstr.* ejus; A. F. e. d. f. om., E and LV. of his body. 24, 25. *holy*] add. 28. *of lyf*] A. F. e. d. f. om.; cl. Beda in Eph. 5 *vita*, E and LV. of *lyf*. 27. *hure*] A. F. cl. e. d. f. ecclesiam, eccl. om. in Ambros. in Luc. 1 (Sab.). 33. A. *Veruntamen et vos singuli unusquisque suam uxorem* etc.

Chap. vi 1. *eldren*] 'in Domino' follows in A. cl. *ambstr.*, 'in the Lord' in E and LV. 4. A. in disciplina et correptione domini. 7, 21. *oure* L.] A. domino. 12. *sp. armer* of *wykkednesse*] A. spiritualia nequitia. 16. *gafelokes & dartes*] A. tela. 20. *worschupfulyche*] add.; A. pro quo legatione fungor, LV. for which Y am set in message (EV. legacie or message). 21. *Tyte*] A. Tychicus. 23, 24. *oure*] add.

PHILIPPIANS.

Chap. i 29. A. quia vobis donatum est *pro Christo*.

Chap. ii 1. in-wardnesse of *kafynge* mercy & *reupe*] A. viscera et miserationes, F. om. et. 11. *oure* Lord] A. domini. 12. *herd byfore*] corrupted from *herbyfore*, see MS. H. p. 228; A. semper. also] A. multo magis nunc. 15. *sympel*] A. et simplices.

Chap. iii 1. *oure* L.] A. domino. *To wryte*] A. *Eadem* scribero. 3. *oure* fl.] A. carne. 4. A. Si quis *alius* videtur..., *ego* *magis*. 6. after *þe folexyng* of *þe lawe*] A. secundum *acmulationem*. Cf. LV. bi loue. 7. *profytabel & wynnynge*] A. lucra. 8. *oure*] A. mei. 9. *Jesu* Cr.] A. Christi. 12. *y mowe...taken...take*] A. *comprehendam* ...comprehensus. Cf. LV. I *comprehende*...comprehendide. 13. A. ego me non arbitror *comprehendisse*: unum autem etc. 16. *folewe*] MS. H. has the correct reading: *fels we* etc. A. ad quod pervenimus, ut idem sapiamus. 20. *wherfore*] A. unde. *oure* S.—*oure* Lord] A. *salvatore*—dominum.

Chap. iv 1. *dereste*] A. *carissimi et desiderantissimi*. *oure* Lord] A. domino. *my lefesto breþeren*] A. *Carissimi*. 4, 5. *oure* L.] A. domino, -us. 8. *of techynge*] F. e. f. d. cl. *disciplinae*, A. om.

COLOSSIANS.

Chap. i 9. *of 3ow...God*] add. & *eferich*] A. *in omni*; MS. H. p. 228 has in. 13. *ous—ous*] A. *vos*, F. *cl. d. f. e. nos*. 18. *holy—chylde*] add. 21. *y-mynused*] A. *inimici*, E and LV. *enemies*. 24. *holy*] add. 27. *wolde y-knowe*] A. *notas facere*, cf. LV. *wolde make known*.

Chap. ii 6. & *perfore 3ef*] A. *sicut ergo*. 8. *prophecye*] A. *philosophiam*. 11. *Iesu Cr.*] A. *Christi*. 13. *3oure synnes*] A. *omnia delicta*. 14. *3ow—to 3ow*] A. *nos—nobis*. *from 3ow*] A. *de medio*. 15. *potestates*] A. *potestatis* corrected to *-es*, F. *-es*.

Chap. iii 6. *of mys-trust & of enbylese*] A. *d. f. incredulitatis*, F. *e. d. diffidentiae*. It seems as if one reading had been inserted here after the other. 8. *ne passe noyt forþ*] A. F. *e. d. om.*; Berger, *Vulg.* pp. 99, 139, 231 quotes several MSS. of the Vulgate where the reading 'non procedat' occurs (= *ambatr.*, Cod. Reg. B.N. 45, 93; Metz 7**.; Monza; B.N. 1*, 3, 342, 11505* etc.). 10. *of God*] add. 11. *male & femal*] = E and LV.; *e. d. f. masculus et femina*; A. F. *cl. om.* *vancoupe man & couþ man*] A. *barbarus et Scythæ*. 13. *of 3ou*] add. *God*] A. *dominus*. 17. *oure*] add. *Crist*] A. *om.*; F. *cl. e. d. Christi*. 18. *3oure—oure*] add. 22, 24. *oure Lord*] A. *dominum, -o*. 23. *oure—God*] A. *domino*. 24. *knowynges*] A. *scientis*, F. *e. -tes*. *Crist þat is God*] A. *Domino Christo*. 25. *to-fore God*] F. *cl. f. apud deum*, A. *e. d. om.*

Chap. iv 2. *wake 3e*] A. *vigilantes in ea*. *to God*] add. 7. *Tyte my broþer*] A. *Thyricus carissimus frater*. *oure Lord*] A. *domino*.

I THESSALONIANS.

Chap. i 2. *makeþ mynde*] A. *memoriam facientes in orationibus nostris*. 3. & *of 3oure hope*] A. *sustinentiæ spei*. 6. *oure L.*] A. *domini*. 8. *Godes*] A. *domini*. *to 3ou*] A. *nobis*.

Chap. ii 1. *3ou-self*] A. *ipsi fratres*. 2. *oure Lord God*] A. *deo nostro*, F. *e. domino n.* 4. & *as*] A. *ut*. 6. A. *nec quærentes ab hominibus gloriam, neque a vobis etc.* 7. *to 3ou*] add. 8. *euangelye*] A. *adds Dei*. 9. *ne be chariaunt*] gloss. A. *gravaremur*. 14. *oure felowchupes*] A. *contribulibus vestris*. 17. *in mouþ & in byholdynges*] A. *desolati a vobis ad tempus horæ, aspectu non corde etc.* Cf. EV. (Q.T.) *we desolat or withdrauen fro 3ou by mouth, byholdynges as in presence, not in herte*, (K.) *we desolat fro 3ou at the tyme of an hour, in biholdynges etc.*; LV. *...for a tyme, bi mouth and in biholding etc.* The Latin original of our text as well as of MSS. Q.T. of the EV. must have had 'desolati a vobis ore, aspectu etc.'; which reading curiously enough was adopted by the later revisers. 19. I. *Crist*] A. *e. Iesum*, F. *cl. Iesum Christum*.

Chap. iii 2. *to 3ou*] add. 6. A. *memoriam...bonam semper*. 8. *oure L.*] A. *domino*. 11. *cl. deus et pater noster et dominus noster* I. C., A. *...dominus Iesus*. 12. *God*] add. 13. A. *deum et patrem ...domini nostri Iesu*; F. *cl. add Christi*.

Chap. iv 1. *oure* L.] A. domino. 10, 11. A. Rogamus...*ut abundetis magis et operam detis* ut quieti sitis. & *y-sayd 3ow her-byfore*] glosa. A. sicut praecepimus vobis. 12. A. et ut honeste etc. 14, 15. *oure* L.] A. domini, -us. 16. *Cryst*] A. domino, F. e. Christo. *oure* L.] A. domino.

Chap. v 2. *wyterp*] A. diligenter scitis. *oure* L.] A. domini. 3. *bote*] A. et. 5. *Goddess*] F. dei, A. e. cl. diei. 3e *beþ*] F. e. estis, A. cl. sumus. 12. *oure* L.] A. domino. 18. *to God*] add. *ous*] A. vobis. 24. & *þe trewe God*] A. Fidelis est qui vocavit etc.

II THESSALONIANS.

Chap. i 7. *oure...Crist*] add. 10. & *oure* with. etc.] A. quia creditum est testimonium etc. 11. *þat God fouche saaf...clepyng*] = EV. 'that our God fouche saaf for to clepe þou in his clepyng,' whereas LV. 'that our God make þou worthi to his clepyng' agrees with A. F. cl. e. ut dignetur vos vocatione sua deus. 12. *oure* L.] A. domini. A. *dei nostri et domini* I. C. EV. (MS. V.) and LV. omit *dei nostri et*.

Chap. ii 2. The order of words is reversed: A. neque terreamini, neque per spiritum neque per sermonem neque per epistolam tamquam per nos, quasi instet dies domini. 7. *he wercheþ*] A. Nam mysterium iam operatur iniquitatis. 8. & *þe brytnesse*] glosa. 12. *þat beþ y-lofed*] A. fratres dilecti. *ous*] A. vos. 13. *of God &*] add. 15. A. et deus et pater.

Chap. iii 3. *God*] F. cl. e. Deus, A. dominus. 4. *God*] A. domino *þou don*] add. 11. *Aure þinges*] add. 12. *oure* L.] A. domino.

HEBREWS.

Chap. i 1. in many maneres] A. *Multifariae et multis modis*. 3. *an hyz in hefne*] A. in excelsis. 7. *þi ser.*] A. ministros suos. 8. *he seyþ*] add. 9. *þi God*] A. deus, deus tuus. 11. *schalt efermore d. st.*] A. permanebis.

Chap. ii 2. *ferme & stabel*] A. firmus. 18. *þilke*] A. et eis, F. om. et.

Chap. iii 1. *of þoure*] A. nostrae. 2. *Moyse*] A. et M. 6. *yef it so be þat*] A. si. 7. A. nolite obdurare corda vestra sicut in exaceruatione. 8. in desert] follows *diem temptationis* in A. 11. & y swor to hem] A. sicut iuravi. *þat þei etc.*] A. Si introibunt. 13. *prefeþ...* *weþer*] A. adhortamini...ut non. 14. *holdeþ etc.*] A. initium...firmum retineamus. 16. *tarreden*] A. audientes exaceruaverunt. 19. *in-to his reste*] add.

Chap. iv 2. A. sed non profuit illis sermo auditus, non admixtis fidei ex his quae audierunt. 3, 5. *þei ne schuleþ noȝt entren*] A. Si introibunt. 6. ne entrede noȝt in-to *þat reste*] A. non introierunt propter incredulitatem. 8. *of þis day*] A. numquam de alia...posthac die. 12. *of þe myndes*] A. compagum. The right reading is *iȝntes* as in MS.

H. p. 228. Cf. Col. ii 19. 14. *of oure hope*] = LV.; *of oure fei*] EV.; *g. fidei nostrae*, A. *cl. e. om.* 15. *pat hap etc.*] A. *temptatum autem*.

Chap. v 5. *& sayde*] add. 8. *Goddess a.*] A. *filia*.

Chap. vi 1. *& of baptysses & of t.*] A. *baptismatum doctrinae*, LV. of teching of baptyms. But EV. has 'of waishyngis or baptyms, of teching.'

13. A. *dicens nisi benedicens benedicam te et multiplicans multiplicabo te*.

Chap. vii 4. Abraham...*pat was on of þe mooste worpy*] A. *cui et decimas dedit de praecipuis* A. *patriarcha*. Cf. LV. to whom A....*as tithis of the beste thingis*. 14. *of þe kynrede of Iuda*] A. *ex Iuda*. 26. *synful men*] = E and LV.; F. *cl. e. peccatoribus*, A. *peccatis*.

Chap. viii 1. *þe Gretnesse of God an ky3 in hefne*] A. *magnitudinis in caelia*. 5. *God sayde*] A. *inquit*. 8. *God 1^o*] add. *God saiþ*]

A. *dicit dominus*. 9. *God*] A. *dominus*. 11. *schal...seye*] A. *docabit* ...*dicena*. *þe mede*] A. *maiozem eorum*. 13. *wasþ old*] A. *antiquatur et senescit*.

Chap. ix 1. *iustifyenges*] A. *iustificationes culturae*. 8. *lyfynges*] A. *viam*. 9. *in metes*] A. *solummodo in cibus*, *e. om. solummodo*. 14. *Aure c.*] A. *conscientiam restram*. 15. *bysechynges of deþ*] A. *morte intercedente*. Cf. LV. 'bi deth fallinge bitwixe.' 17. *makeþ etc.*] A. *qui testatus est*.

Chap. x 1. LV. 'For the lawe hauinge a schadewe of good thingis that ben to come, not the ilke image of thingis, mai neuer make men neiynges perfit bi the ilke same sacrifices, which thei offren without ceessing bi alle yeuris.' 2. A. *alioquin non cessassent offerri*. 27. *of Crist*] add.

29. *how muche more trewe yef þat etc.*] A. *quanto magis putatis deteriora mereri supplicia qui etc.* 34. *dwellynge in hefne*] A. *manentem*.

37. *& wipynne a lytel whyle*] gloss. A. *Adhuc enim modicum quantulum, qui venturus est veniet et non tardabit*. 38. *his fot*] A. *se. his soule*] A. *animae meae*. 39. *Goddess chyldren etc.*] A. *sed fidei in acquisitionem animae*. It is possible that the translator read 'fi[l]ii dei,' since there seems to be no authority for the present reading.

Chap. xi 4. *offred*] A. *obtulit deo*. *he spak*] A. *loquitur*. 10. *werk-men*] A. *artifex*. 19. *schewynges*] A. *arbitrans*. 30. *men*] A. *muri, misread uiri*. 34. *dryfen a-wey*] A. *effugerunt*, LV. *dryueden awei*, Auth. Version 'escaped.' Cf. Hebr. xii 25 where the word is correctly translated. 35. *housbondes*] A. *mortuos, misread maritos*? 36. *& prisiones etc.*] A. *insuper et vincula et carceres*.

Chap. xii 4. *to þe schedynges of youre blod*] A. *usque ad sanguinem*. 5. *oure Lord*] A. *domini*. 6. *he chasteþ*] A. *dominus castigat*. *scoureþ*] A. *flagellat*, H. has 'scourgeþ,' see p. 229. 11. *of deþ*] A. *memoriae*, E and LV. of *sorewe*. 15. *no man—men*] add. 16. *mete*]

A. *unam escam*. 18. *& neyslechen þer-to*] E and LV. '& able to come to,' which readings presuppose 'acce(s)ibilem' in the Latin original, A. *accessibilem ignem*. A. *et turbinem et caliginem et procellam*. 19. *roys 2^o*] A. *verbum*. 23. *þe churche*] A. *ecclesiarum*, F. *ecclesiam*. *domesman of alle spyrytes*] A. *iudicem omnium deum, et spiritus iustorum etc.* 28. *oure God*] A. *placentes deo*.

Chap. xiii 1. dwelle *a-mong* *3ow*] A. maneat. 2. *han y-pleesd*] A. cl. latuerunt, F. placuerunt. 5. *God*] A. ipse. *F nul...lefe*] A. deseram *neque derelinquam*. 10. of whom no men...*bote pilke* *pat* etc.] A. de quo edere non habent potestatem qui tabernaculo deserviunt. 18. A. confidimus enim quia bonam conscientiam habemus in omnibus bene volentes conversari. Cf. LV. we han good conscience in alle thingis, willynge to do wel. 20. I. *Crist*] A. Iesum. 21. *place*] A. bono (*bōo* misread *loco*). *iōye & blyse*] A. gloria.

I TIMOTHY.

Chap. i 1. God & oure S.] A. dei salvatoria. 9. *wel*] add. 11. of *pe euangely* etc.] A. quae est secundum evangelium gloriae beati dei. 13. & doynge iniurye to *his serfuuntis*] A. contumeliosus, E and LV. & ful of wrongis. of *God*] F. cl. dei, A. om. 14. Lord I. C.] A. domini. 18. *pat þou occupye þe*] A. secundum praecedentes in te prophetias ut milites in illis bonam militiam. Cf. LV. that thou traueile in hem a good trauel. 19. *good feip*] A. fidem. 20. *God*] add.

Chap. ii 1. A. obsecrationes, orationes, *postulationes*, gratiarum actiones pro omnibus hominibus. 6. *whos wytnosse is y-confermed* in his tymes] A. testimonium temporibus suis, but the reading '*Cuius testimonium t. a. datum est*' occurs in Harl. 1772, *arm.*, *ambstr.* etc., cf. Berger, *Vulg.* pp. 51, 139, E and LV. 'whos witnessynge is confermyd in his tyme.' 15. *eferiche*] add.

Chap. iii 2. *chaste*] A. ornatum, cl. ornatum, pudicum. 3. *softe & good*] A. modestum. 9. *mystrynges*] A. mysterium. 13. *oure* Lord I. C.] A. Christo Iesu.

Chap. iv 2. *corrupt*] A. cauteriatam, EV. brent (MSS. Q.T. add or corrupt), LV. corrupt, A.V. seared with a hote iron. 3. *tr. men, þat*] A. fidelibus et his qui cognoverunt veritatem. to *God*] add. 4. to *God*] add. 6. *oure—oure* Lord] add. 14. *þe grace*] A. gratiam quae in te est.

Chap. v 4. for *þe goodnesse...of hem*] add. 13. to *gon to-gedere...& gon aboute* etc.] A. simul autem et otiosae discunt circumire domos. 16. *trewe wydeues*] A. Si qua fidelis habet viduas. 18. *pat tyleþ þi lond*] A. tritुरanti, E and LV. threischinge. 21. *wipouten lattynge of ony enchesoun*] A. Sine praeiudicio, LV. with oute preiudica.

Chap. vi 2. *pat þei*] A. quia fideles sunt. 3. of *þe doctryne*] add. 9. *þe defeles grun*] A. laqueum, F. cl. add *diaboli*; EV. gnare of the deuel, LV. snare of the d. 13. *Pylat of Pounce*] = E and LV.; A. Pontio Pilato. 16. & *blyse*] add. 17. *þe lyfynge*] cl. e. vivo, A. F. om. 18. *hure goodes*] add. 19. & a good] A. bonum. The correct reading of our text is probably 'in a good,' since & and in are often confused in the MSS., cf. 2 Pet. ii 15. *eferlastynge*] = E and LV.; A. veram. 21. *grace of God*] = E and LV.; A. gratia.

II TIMOTHY.

Chap. i 3. *my God*] F. *a. deo meo*, A. *deo*, E and LV. *my G.* *y scrfs*] A. *servio a progenitoribus*. 5. *Eurace*] *e. Eurice*, A. F. *cl. Eunice*. 8. *Iesu Crist*] = E and LV.; om. A. *y trafayle*] A. *conlabora*; cf. 2 Tim. ii 3, iv 5 and LV. '*trauele pou.*' 9. *of hym*] A. *dei*. *pat bep y-passed*] add. 12. *pis*] A. *etiam haec*. *pat tresour etc.*] A. *depositum meum servare in illum diem*. 15. *Phylegeus*] A. *Phygelus*. 17. *he come*] A. *venissem*, F. *e. cl. -et.* 18. *oure L.*] A. *dominus*. *mercy*] A. *misericordiam a domino*, E and LV. ...of God. *to me*] = E and LV.; *cl. mihi*, A. F. *e. om.*

Chap. ii 2. *of pilke etc.*] A. *et quae audistis*—*haec commenda*. 9. *for ich. ich am y-bounde*] A. *usque ad vincula quasi male operans*. 10. *pat bei ben y-safed etc.*] A. *ut et ipsi salutem consequantur quae est in C. I.* 19. *Oure L.*] A. *dominus, -ni.* 21. *to God*] A. *e. cl. domino*, F. *deo*. 22. *oure L.*] A. *dominum*. 24. *good & softe*] A. *mansuetum*. 25. *pe trewe*] F. *cl. veritati* (= E and LV.), A. *e. om.* *mys*] A. *paenitentiam*.

Chap. iii 2. *proude*] A. *elati, superbi*.

Chap. iv 3. *good... & hol*] A. *sanam*. *bote bei etc.*] A. *sed ad suas desideria coaceruabunt*. 5. *& be pou sober*] = E and LV., F. *cl. sobrius esto*, A. *om.*

TITUS.

Chap. i 6. A. *non in accusatione luxuriae aut non subditos*. 9. *feip-ful & a trewe*] A. *fidelem*. *good doctr.*] A. *doctrinam*.

Chap. ii 1. *redy & wys*] A. *prudentes*. 3. *spekyng & seyenge*] A. *docentes*. 4. *sober & chaste, redy & wys*] A. *prudentes castas*. 7. *chastyle...sadnesse*] A. *gravitatem*. 10. *oure God &*] A. *dei*.

Chap. iii 8. A. *Fidelis sermo est*. 9. *stryfes*] A. *contentiones et pugnas*.

THE ACTS.

Chap. i 4. *departe nor go away*] A. *ne discederent*. *po sonde ande po bihetyng*] A. *promissionem*. 6. A. *dicentes, Domine, si in tempore etc.* 8. *vnto po ferreste ande laste*] A. *ad ultimum*. 11. *rights as zhe saue hym ascende*] repetition; *vnto heuen* ought to follow *wende*. A. *hic Iesus qui adsumtus est a vobis in caelum, sic veniet quemadmodum vidistis eum euntem in caelum*. 12. A. *a monte qui vocatur Oliveti, qui est iuxta H. sabbati habens iter*. 14. A. *perseverantes unanimiter in oratione*. *hire breper*] A. *et Maria matre Iesu et fratribus eius*, E and LV. *hise britheren*. Probably intentionally wrong translation, cf. Commentary on Matthew xii 46, Brit. Mus. Egert. 842, f. 107 b: '*his moder & breper stod with-out zernand to speke to hym*'... '*pe breper of Crist were not pe childir of his blessid modyr Mary nor pe childir of Ioseph be his opir wife, as summe suppose, but raper...pei were his chosyns, pe childer of Mary, the*

sistyr of his moder.' 17. *priuete*] A. ministerii; the translator read 'mysterii.' 18. *fledde away ande*] add. *helde*] A. d. possedit, a. g. adquisivit, EV. weeldide, LV. hadde. 19. *Acheldemac*] A. Acheldemac. 25. of his priuete ande of his seruice] A. ministerii huius, cf. above, v. 17. *he may dwelle*] A. abiret, E and LV. he schulde go.

Chap. ii 1. *alle þo disciples*] = E and LV., omnes discipuli P. Var., discipuli om. A. g. 3. *lungages*] A. lingua, E and LV. tungia. 5. *vus*] A. est. 6. *ande þis sowne*] gloss. *grete multitude*] A. multitudo. *ande þei merueyld gretly*] gloss. 7. *vpon þis wise*] gloss. 11. *grete wondrous ande dedus*] A. magnalia. 14. *takes ande conceyues*] A. percipita. 17. *sightes ande visiones*] A. visiones. 18. A. super servos meos et super ancillas meas; *boþe men ande wymmen* has no authority and is probably a gloss. 21. *alle or iche whoeuer*] A. omnis quicumque. 23. *bitraid & taken*] A. traditum. *tourmentande*] cf. affligentes, EV. turmentinge, LV. þe turmentiden, A. adfigentes. 24. *lowsed ande broken*] A. solutia. 25. I schal puruey ande force] A. Providebam. 28. *maked brode*] d. e. g. cl. latatum, A. delectatum. The translator must have read *latatum, and connected it with the adj. latus, 'broad.' E and LV. ioiede. 29. *say*] A. audenter dicere. 32. *ande of whom*] gloss. 41. *þer*] A. eiua. *wonnen vnto God ande turned*] A. adpositæ sunt... animæ circiter tria milia, LV. soulis weren encreessid aboute thre thousande. 45. *þer catelle ande þer godus*] A. substantias.

Chap. iii 2. *hise frendes sette hym*] A. quem ponebant. *þode in ande oute*] A. ab introeuntibus. 7. *wore hise lymes made hole ande sadde*] A. consolidatæ sunt bases eius et plantæ, LV. hise leggis and his feet weren sowdid togidere. 8. A. et exiliens stetit, et ambulabat, et intravit cum illis in templum ambulans et exiliens et laudans dominum. 10. *at þo temple-dore*] A. ad speciosam portam templi. 11. *Salomons porte*] A. porticum qui appellatur Salomonis. *wondurande vpon hem ande biholdande*] A. stupentes. 13. *vnto þo deþe*] A. iudicante illo dimitti, LV. whanne he demede hym to be delyuered. 16. *confermed ande helud*] A. confirmavit. 20. *of God*] A. d. e. g. Domini, Tertul. (Sab.) Dei. 21. *dwelle... ande þurghe hise prophetes*] A. quem oportet caelum quidem suscipere... quæ locutus est deus per os sanctorum suorum a saeculo prophetarum. 22. *God oure Lorde... vs... oure*] A. vobis... deus vester... vestris, e. vobis... Dominus Deus noster... vestria. 23. *schal be putte oute... & oute of his termes*] A. exterminabitur. 25. *disposed ande ordeynde*] A. disposuit. 26. *from þo way of his wikkednes*] A. a nequitia sua.

Chap. iv 1. *As þei stoden ande spaken*] A. Loquentibus... illis. 2. *risinge of deþe*] A. resurrectionem a mortuis. 4. *Goddess word*] A. verbum. 8. *heres ande vnderstondes*] om. A. d., audite d. e. g., heere EV., here þe LV. 10. *vnto þowe*] A. omnibus vobis. 11. *He þis Ihesus*] A. Hic. 12. *maye ande bihoues*] A. oporteat. 13. *sawe ande bihelde*] A. videntes. 16. *token ande merueyl*] A. signum. 17. *be... pupplished ne spoken*] A. ne divulgetur. 18. *vnto hem*] add. *komawnded hem*] A. denuntiaverunt, d. g. præceperunt illis, e. om. illis.

19. *telle vs*] A. iudicate (misread indicate). 21. A. At illi comminantes dimiserunt eos, non inuenientes quomodo punirent eos, propter populum, *d.* At illi comminati... nihil inuenientes *causam*, qua punirent eos... *made... clere ande knowne*] A. clarificabant. *bi hem*] add. 22. *ande twoo*] not in A. or OL. *pis token ande pis hele*] A. signum istud sanitatis. 23. *of þo kownseile to wende forþe þer way*] add. *unto þer breþer þat wore conuerted*] A. ad suos, cf. viii 15 þat wore turned. 36. Barsabas] A. Barnabas... *levites, Cyprius genera*.

Chap. v l. *wiþ þo kownseile of h. wife*] A. conscia uxore sua. 8. *þow womman*] A. om., *d.* mulier, E and LV *womman*. 9. *þo Holygoste of God*] A. spiritum domini. 11. *holy chirche*] A. ecclesia. 14. *of hem þat preyde*] A. credentium, E and LV. *bileuyng*. 15. *in þo feldes*] add. *ouer-schine*] A. obumbraret. 16. *þo multitude etc.*] mistranslation, A. multitudo vicinarum civitatum. 17. *of enuy ande trechery*] A. zelo. 18. *komun... þat opunly was knowne*] A. publica. 19. *one of Goddes awngels*] A. Angelus domini. 21. *whanne... herde þis*] A. adveniens. 23. *as hit was lefte*] add. 24. *vmþoghten hem ande spake togider*] A. ambigebant. 30. *of þoure*] A. nostrorum. 31. *ande made hym*] A. hunc deus principem et salvatorem exaltavit. 33. *ande þyste*] gloss to *ymagynde*, A. dissecabantur et cogitabant, LV. *thei weren turmentid and thougten*. 34. *He comanded etc.*, agreement with the OL, cf. *d. g.* iussit pusillum apostolos foras secedere (*d. facere*), *e.* iussit foras modicum apostolos fieri. Cf. Bibl. Nat. 11532-3: iussit modicum foras apostolos secedere (Berger, *Vulg.* p. 106). A. has 'iussit foras ad breve homines fieri.' 36. A. *exstitit* Theodas dicens esse se aliquem. Our version agrees with the OL: *e.* surrexit T. dicens esse aliquem se *magnum*, *d.*...quemdam *magnum* ipsorum, *h. s.* T. quidam dicens se esse *magnum*, *g.* exstitit T. dicens se esse quendam *magnum*. Cf. Berger, *Vulg.* p. 161. 38. *hit schal be vndone & worþe unto noghte*] A. dissolvetur. 39. *bot suffure hem*] add. 40. *komawnded hem*] A. *caesis* denuntiaverunt, LV. *denounsiden to hem, that weren betun*. 41. *strife ande schame*] A. contumeliam.

Chap. vi l. *a murmur ande a grucching*] A. murmur. 2. This verse is corrupted. A. has 'Convocantes autem duodecim multitudinem discipulorum.' In S.P.D. *ande þo disciples* is looked upon as a gloss to *apostuls* and consequently omitted. It is more probable that *þo noumbur offe þo apostuls* was originally a gloss to *twelue*, since *nowmbur* is not the usual way of rendering *multitudo* in this text; it is rendered by *multitude* 14 times out of 17, by *puple* twice (Acts iv 32, xvii 13), only in this place by *nowmbur*. The scribe probably looked upon the original *þo multitude offe* as an unnecessary gloss and left it out. He then joined on *þo disciples* by *ande* to the preceding phrase. It is of course possible that the whole confusion arose from corruptions in the Latin original. *þus unto hem*] not in A., but *d.* has 'ad eos,' *h. eis*. 3. *testymony ande wytnes*] A. testimonii. *þis bisines ande þis warke*] A. hoc opus. 5. *ande gladde were* [*þei*] *þer-offe*] probably gloss to *pleyng*, no correspondence in the Latin. *fulle of vñd* H. *ande trewe in þo faipe*] A. plenum fide et spiritu

sancto. *Tymothee*] A. Timonem. *Pernyenam*] A. Parmenam.
 6. *alle*] add. 7. *Goddess*] g. Dei, A. d. a. h. Domini. 8. *gostely*] add.
 10. *wipinne hym spake*] A. sapientiae et spiritui qui loquebatur. Cf. e.
 sapientiae quae erat in eo et spiritui sancto quo loquebatur. 15. *amonges*
hem] A. e. d. g. om., but h. has tamquā [uultum] angeli dī stantis inter illos.
 Chap. vii 1. *vnto Steuen*] e. g. Stephano, h. Stefanum, A. d. om. *pat*
his men sayne] add. 2. *ansured ande saide*] A. e. ait, d. g. dixit, h. re-
 spondit. *heres ande rndurstondes*] A. audite. *bifore pat he schulde dye*]
 A. priusquam moraretur, misread 'moreretur,' cf. d. 'postea quam mortuus
 esset. 4. *ande pepen...he kome into his londe*, etc.] no actual corre-
 spondence in the Latin authorities: A. et inde...transtulit illum in terram
 istam in qua etc., d. et ibi erat post mortem patris sui et intrans migravit
 eum in terram hanc in qua etc., Hieron. Epist. ad Dardan. to. 2 col. 608
 (Sab.) et inde...migravit in terram in qua etc. Apparently a confusion of
 two different readings. Cf. LV. and fro thenz aftir that his fader was
 deed, he translatide him into this loond. 7. The translator read
indicabo for *iudicabo* and consequently translated 'I schal scheve.'
 13. *he scheved*, etc.] A. manifestatum est Pharaoni genus eius, g. *innotuit*
 Pharaoni genus Ioseph. Cf. LV. his kyn was maad knowun to Farao.
 14. A. 'in animabus septuaginta quinque' om. 18. *perinne*] A. in
 Aegypto, e. d. g. om. 19. *ande ordeynde*] add. *pat of ours zonge*
childer, etc.] differs from A., closer to OL. A. ut exponerent infantes suos,
 ne vivificarentur, e. ut facerent expositos infantes suos ut ne vivificarentur
masculi, g. ut exponerent...ut non...*masculi*. Cf. LV. that thei schulden
 putte away her zonge children, for thei schulden not lyue. 21. *into po*
stode] e. in flumen, d. secus flumen, A. g. om. Cf. Bibl. Nat. MS 11532-3,
 'Exposito autem illo in flumine,' Berger, *Vulg.* p. 106. LV. in the flood,
 EV. om. 23. *hise frendes, hise breþer*] A. fratres suos filios Israhel.
 24. *one of hise kynne*] d. g. de genero suo, e. de natione sua, A. om.
 27. *or*] e. g. aut, A. d. et. 31. *vnto hym ande saide*] e. dicens ad eum,
 g. ad eum dicens. A. om. 37. *schal raise*] cl. e. d. g. suscitabit, A. sus-
 citavit. 42. *kengedome*] A. militiae, e. d. g. h. exercitui, E and LV. the
 knyghthood. *sacrifice nor* etc.] the translator evidently took 'numquid' to
 be a negation; LV. Whether 3e, hous of Israel, offriden to me slayn
 sacrificis etc. 43. *into B.*] e. in partem Babylonis, d. in illas partes B.,
 g. in partes babilonis, A. trans Babylonem. 44. *zoure*] A. nostra.
 45. A. quod et induxerunt suscipientes patres nostri cum Iesu in posses-
 sionem gentium, L.V. which also oure fadris token with Ihesu, and brouyten
 in to etc. 50. *my hende*] A. manus mea. 52. *of whom*] A. cuius nunc,
 e. d. om. nunc. 55. *his fadire*] A. and OL. Dei. *of þe vertewe*] add.
 56. *lettynge*] A. impetum, LV. an assauyt. 57. *two fulse*] A. cl. d. e. h.
 om., g. falsi. *hise clothes*] A. vestimenta sua. 58. *Iesu*] A. Domino
 Iesu. 59. *rested hym in God ande gafe vnto heuen his goste*]
 A. obdormivit, cl. obd. in Domino. Cf. EV. he slepte in the Lord, LV.
 he diede.

Chap. viii 1. *ande wente isonder*] gloss. *pat dwelled stille in Ierusalem*]
 A. e. om.; d. g. h. qui remanserunt (d. manserunt) hierusalem. 2. *wep-*

inge *ende sorrow*] A. *placitum*. 3. *heli ch.*] A. *ecclesiam*. *ende de-*
stroyde hit] gloss. 4. *how he was Goddes one*] add. 6. *ende alle wi-*
e wille—ende trefus] glossen. 7. *yode awaye oute of hem*] A. *erichant*.
 9. A. 'Vir autem quidam nomine Sason qui ante fuerat in civitate magus,
 seducens gentem Samaritan, dicens esse se aliquem magnum.' I have found
 no correspondence in any Latin source to the additions of this verse.
 12. *many*] add. 15. *þat were turned*] gloss. 18. *rato hem*] add.
 19. *Hane þis*] add. 20. *ensured... & made*] A. *dixit*. *money ende...*
castelle] A. *pecunia*. 22. *wittes þoghte*] A. *cogitatio*. 24. *of alle*
þise] A. *horum*. 25. *taughten þei ende preched*] A. *evangelizabant*.
 27. *ende was a geldynge þat hade hire in þeþinge*] a gloss on *canachon*,
 which is omitted in its right place: A. *et ecce vir Aethiops canachon*,
ende forto prepe] gloss. 33. *dome... ande his righteise vengeance*]
 A. *iudicium*. 35. *taughte hym ende declared*] no correspondence in the
 Latin; A. has 'Aperiens autem Ph. os suum et incipiens ab scriptura ista
 evangelizavit etc.' 37. This verse is omitted in A. 39. *of God*]
 A. *domini*.

Chap. ix 1. Inaccurate translation: A. *Saulus autem adhuc aspirans*
minarum et caedis in discipulos domini. 2. *pestels ande compassions*]
 A. *epistulas*. *of þo company of þe apostuls or hermesen*] A. *huius vine*.
 5. *hit es fel... þrikte*] g. A. d.; om. A. 6. This verse is omitted in A.
 e. g. It occurs in A. and d. 7. *Ande oure Lorde saide rato hym*] d. A.;
 om. A. e. g. 8. *no man*] A. *nihil*. 11. *þo wry*] A. *vicum*, cf. xii 10.
whos name es Tharsen] A. *Saulum nomine Tharsensem*. 17. *rato þe*]
 add. 18. *dyne as hit wore þo scales of a fecte*] A. *tamquam squamae*.
 19. A. *cum discipulis qui erant Damasci per dies aliquos*. 20. *yode*
into... ande preched] A. *praedicabat*. *rerray G. some*] A. *filius dei*.
 21. *þo luce þat ben prynces of*] gloss. 23. *he hade, etc.*] A. *Cum*
impletatur autem dies multi. 24. *þo zates... of þo cyte*] A. *portas*.
 26. *Goddes discipul*] A. *discipulus*. 27. *to þo disciples ande—alle*] add.
 28. *of Iesu*] A. *domini*. 29. *þo gentyles... þo Grekes*] d. *gentibus...*
graecis, A. e. g. om. *gentibus*. 31. *of God*] A. *domini*. 33. A. *qui*
erat paralyticus omitted here. 34. *rise vppe fro þi bedde*] A. *surge et*
sterne tibi, LV. *rise thou, and araye thee*. 36. *rato many*] A. *om.*,
m. multis. 39. *saynte Peter*] A. *Petrus*. 40. *utte his worde, etc.*]
 A. *At illa aperuit oculos suos, et viso Petro reedit*. 41. A. *Dans*
autem illi manum erexit eam. 43. *longe tyme ande manye dais*] A. *dies*
multos.

Chap. x 1. A. *centurio cohortis quae dicitur Italica*. 3. A. *vidit*
in visu manifeste. 6. *ande he schal teche, etc.*] d. *hic dicet tibi quid te*
oporteat facere, A. e. d. g. om. 7. *þat wore homely wiþ hym*] gloss.
 A. *domesticos suos*. *to be one of hem forto wende þat waye*] nothing corre-
 sponding in A. or OL. 8. *how hit was*] A. *omnia*. 9. *þo houre of*
myddaye] A. *horam sextam*. 16. A. *et statim receptum est vas, etc.*
 21. *Saynte*] cf. ix 39. 22. *rato hym*] d. *ad eum*, A. e. g. om. *treuly*
dredes] A. *timens*. *ande brynge þe*] gloss. 24. *Peter ande... hym*]
 A. *illos*. 25. *was komen ande schulde enter*] A. *cum introisset*. *wor-*

schipped hym] *d. adoravit eum*, A. *e. g. om. eum.* 28. *as þow erte]* *g. e. sicut (g. et) tu, d. quomodo et tu*, A. *om.* 29. *forto kome vnto þowe]* add. 30. *fastud ande preyed]* A. *orans eram, e. d. eram jejunans et adorans (d. ...orabam), g. eram ieiunans.* Cf. Berger, *Vulg.* p. 106 f. LV. Y was preiynge ande fastyng. *þo nyate houre]* misplaced: A. *orans eram hora nona in domo mea.* 33. A. *tibi praecepta sunt, e. om. tibi.* 34. *ande endurstonden]* gloss. 35. A. *sed in omni gente qui timet eum...acceptus est illi.* 37. *ande knowen]* gloss. *saynte]* add. 42. A. *qui constitutus est a deo iudex.* 47. *ne defende]* gloss. 48. *wip hem]* *d. g. apud eos, d. ad eos, A. e. om.*

Chap. xi 1. *ande conceyueden]* gloss. *breþer]* A. *fratres qui erant in Iudaea.* *ande worschipped God þeroffe]* *g. et glorificabant deum*, A. *e. d. om., LV. and thei glorifieden God.* 8. *alle vndene]* A. *commune aut immundum.* 9. *vndene]* A. *commune.* 13. *awngel of God]* A. *angelum.* 17. *to gife vnto hem þo Hfolygoost, þat trowed in þo name of Iesu Criste]* = Bibl. Nat. 11533 (Berger, *Vulg.* p. 107) *prohibere Deum ne daret illis spiritum sanctum credentibus in nomine I. C., d. ut non...eis...in eum*, A. *e. g. om., LV. that he yyue not the Hooli Goost to hem that bileueden in the name of I. C., EV. that he schulde not yyue the H. G. to men bileuyng in the name of I. C.* 18. *lyfe euerlastande]* A. *vitam.* 20. *gentiles]* A. *Grecoi.* 26. *Mistranslation: A. ita ut cognominarentur primum Anthiociæ discipuli Christiani.* 27. *þat þei þer wore]* add. 29. *þat hit myghte serue hem...vnto þer sustynaunce]* A. *in ministerium.*

Chap. xii 3. *He sawe þat...He sette]* A. *videns autem...adposuit.* 4. *foure]* A. *quatuor quaternionibus.* *for hit was lenten tyme]* follows Peter in v. 3 according to A. and OL. 7. *awngel]* A. *angelus domini.* 8. *schone ande...hoses]* A. *galliculas.* 10. *a way]* A. *vicum*, cf. ix 11. 13. *to luke who was þere]* differs from A. *e. ad audiendum, d. respondere, g. obaudire*, E and LV. *cam forth to se.* 15. *an]* A. *eius.* 18. *knyghtes þat hym kepped]* A. *milites.* 19. *Ande Peter yode...]* A. *Herodes...iussit eos duci, descendensque a Iudaea in Caesaream, etc.* 20. The translator has gone altogether wrong here, *persuaso Blasto* he looked upon as a proper name and *alerentur* he evidently confused with the French verb *aller*. LV. *whanne thei hadden counseiled with Bastua...* for as myche that her cuntrees weren vitailid of hym. 21. *þo folke of Tiris ande Sidone]* A. *eos.* 25. *Marcus]* A. *qui cognominatus est Marcus.*

Chap. xiii 2. *vnto Godde]* A. *domino.* 4. *Burna[ba]s ande Sawde]* A. *ipsi.* 5. *mynisterynge of Goldes worde]* A. *in ministerio.* 6. *Baryehu]* A. *Bariesu*, 'Beda comment. in hunc loc. legit Barjeu, et ait corrupto legi *Barjesu*' (Sab.). Cf. Berger, *Vulg.* p. 96, note 2. EV. *Barieu*, LV. *Bariesu.* 7. *ware...ande wise]* A. *prudente.* of God] A. *domini.* 8. *or called]* gloss. *Ande he þis wyche was aboute in alle þat he kouþe]* A. *quaerens*, LV. *he souzta.* 9. *Poule]* A. *Saulus autem qui et Paulus.* 10-11. of God] A. *domini.* 12. *trowed in God]* A. *credidit.* of God] A. *domini.* 14. *Persidy]* A. *Pisidia.* 16. *heres þiss wordes]* A. *audite.* 17. *comelynges ande duellynges]* A. *incolae.* *stalworþe arme*

ande highe myghte] A. brachio extento. oute of þo lande of Egipte] A. ex ea. 20. domes-men to reule hem] A. iudices. 21. a kenge to be þer gouernoure] A. regem. 22. after hym þis Saule] A. amoto illo. 23. of hym þis David] A. huius. 25. saide onto þo folke of Israel] A. dicebat. 26. dere breþer] A. viri fratres. 27. þis Iesu] A. hunc. voyce ande þo spekyng] A. voces. 38. dere breþer] A. fratres. 40. kome...unto youre] A. superveniat. 42. of þo synagoge] add. 43. comelynges] A. coletium advenarum. amonestud] A. loquentes suadebant. 46. unto þe lewes—ande leue youre] add. 47. my hele] A. in salutem. 48. þis worde] add.

Chap. xiv 1. A. Factum est autem in Iconio ut simul introirent in synagogam Iudaeorum et loquerentur ita ut crederent Iudaeorum et Grecorum copiosa multitudo. 3. Bot God graunted sone pees] d. g. Dominus autem dedit confestim (g. cito d.) pacem, A. om. Cf. Berger, *Vulg.* p. 162. trestly & stedfastly] A. fiducialiter. 6. ande alle þo... in Lystria] d. e. Et commota est omnis multitudo in doctrina eorum (d. in doctrinis). Paulus autem et Barnabas morabantur (d. moras faciebant) in Lystria, E and LV. have this reading. A. g. om. 7. halte ande lame] A. claudus. 9. To þe...Jesu Criste] d. e. Tibi dico in nomine Domini (e. D. nostri) Iesu Christi, A. g. om. also E and LV. 10. þo men of Lycaonye] A. lycaonice, LV. in Licaon tunga. 11. ledar ande spekar] A. dux. 12. unto P. ande B.] belongs to next verse: A. Quod ubi audierunt apostoli Barnabas et Paulus. 15. gentiles] A. omnes gentes. 18. made ille suggestion to þo puple] A. persuasis turbis. 21. made exhortacyone...ande tolde] A. exhortantes. 23. Pridie] A. Pisidiam. 26. disciples of holy chirche] A. ecclesiam.

Chap. xv 2. ande Poule swide...wore inne] d. dicebat autem Paulus manere sic sicut crediderunt, A. e. g. om. ande Poule...ordeynde] A. statuerunt ut ascenderent Paulus et Barnabas et quidam alii ex aliis ad apostolos, etc. 3. of þo disciples] A. ab ecclesia. conuera. ande þo lifyng] A. conversationem. 7. aschinge ande seching] A. conquisitio. oure breþer] A. fratres. 8. he] A. deus. 10. tempte þe] A. tentatis deum. 30ke ande charge] A. iugum. 13. dere breþer] A. fratres. 16. tabernacle of Dauid] d. e. g. d.; A. om. David. 22. ande þei chesed] add. 25. dere breþer] A. carissimis. 29. ande fro sacrifices of ydolatre] gloss. A. ab immolatis simulacrorum et sanguine suffocato et fornicatione. ande þat þe wille...unto an-oper] d. & quaecunque non vultis vobis fieri, alii ne feceritis. Cf. Berger, *Vulg.* p. 162. A. e. g. E and LV. om. 30. Ande Poule...fro þo apostuls] A. Illi igitur dimissi. multitude of þo disciples] A. multitudine. 31. in a grete ioye] om. A. d. e. g. Cf. MS Sangermanensis 15 (Bibl. Nat. 11553), Berger, *Vulg.* p. 70, note 2, gavisus sunt gaudio magno super consolatione. þat þei hade] add. 32. pr. ande prechors] A. prophetae. 33. This verse is omitted in the MSS. 35. wiþ oper discipuls of Criste] A. cum aliis pluribus. 36. visite we...ande see ee] A. visitemus. 38. warke of þo gospelle] A. opus. 39. amonge hem...]= Sangerm. 15 (as above, v. 31) inter illos dissensio; g. inter eos disceptatio, A. e. d. d. dissensio. 40. of God]

A. domini. 41. congregacyone of holy chirche] A. ecclesias. & bade hem...eldars] A. e om., g. cl. præcipiens custodire præcepta apostolorum et seniorum, d. tradens autem mandatum presbyterorum, E and I.V. comaundinge to kepe the hocstis (EV. preceptis) of apostlis and eldre men.

Chap. xvi 1. Ande whanne þei hade gone abowte þise nacyons agrees more closely with *Codex Armachanus* (Berger, *Vulg.* p. 33): 'Et cum circumiisset has nationes' than with g. 'Et cum circuisset civitates,' or d. 'Pertransiens gentes istas.' A. e. om. The plural is probably due to some scribal error in the Latin source (i for e). wydowe] g. uidue, A. d. d. Iudeae, e. om. 2. trewe] g. cl. bonum, A. e. d. om. 4. þei tawghte] A. tradebant...custodira. apostuls whanne] A. apostolis et senioribus qui. 6. Goddes] A. om., m. dei. 12. þo cyte of Coleyne] A. Macedoniae civitas, colonia. The same error occurs, as M. Berger tells us, in the French xiiith century Bible "... le traducteur ne comprenant pas que la ville de Philippes est, d'après la Vulgate, une 'colonie' de la Macédoine, fait voyager saint Paul en 'la cité Coloigne'" (*La Bible franç.* p. 143). 18. of hire] add. 19. þe spiritte] A. spes quaestus eorum. The translator evidently read *sp̄s*, the contraction of spiritus. 20. sturbulen ande decryue] A. conturbant. 22. A. Et concurrat plebs adversus eos, et magistratus scissis tunicis eorum iusserunt, etc. Cf. d. ...tuno magistratus, discissis vestimentis, iusserunt, etc. 23. beten...ande made hem fulle of etc.] A. et cum multas plagas eis imposuissent. kepar of þo prison] A. custodi. 25. lowtande vnto God loued hym in alle his sonde] F. adorantes laudabant Deum, A. adorantes Deum hymnum dicebant. There is no actual correspondence in the Latin sources. 27. A. Ex-perfactus autem custos carceris et videns, etc. 30. Leus lordes] A. Domini. 31. oure Lorde] A. domino. 32. of God] A. domini. 33. þo kepar of þo prisone] add. 37. unrighly ande vndampned] A. publice indamnatos. 40. þei tolde hem whatte God hade done wiþ hem] Bibl. Nat. 11533: narraverunt quanta fecisset Dominus cum eis, consolantes eos profecti sunt (Berger, *Vulg.* p. 107). Cf. d. ...fecit..., exhortati sunt eos & exierunt. A. cl. e. g. om.

Chap. xvii 3. Iesus] A. Christus Iesus. 5. agayne þo apostuls] add. icente, etc.] A. adsistentes domui I. querebant eos producere. 6. criande ande...worlde] d. g. clamantes et dicentes quia (d. g. qui) orbem terre inquietant (d. inquitaverunt) hi sunt; A. clamantes quoniam hi qui urbem concitant. 7. þat highte] add. 8. of þo cites] A. civitatis. 9. to þo princes of þo cyte] add. 11. Ande þise men of Beroam] A. Hi. as hit was preched to hem] A. cl. e. d. om.; g. quemadmodum Paulus annunciabat. 15. Ande þo breþer þat] A. qui. A. accepto mandato... ut...venirent...profecti sunt. 17. ande þo dwellande] A. et colentibus, LV. and with men that worschipiden. 18. ande þis þei saide] add. 19. þis newe] A. quae est haec nova. 22. of þat towne] A. Ariopagi. 23. þise worles] add. 25. þat man dos] add. wynde & inspiringe] A. inspirationem. 29. of mannes þenkynge ande of m. hondewarke] A. cogitationis hominis. 31. A. in viro in quo statuit, fidem præbens, etc. 34. wiþ Poule] A. ei. many oper] A. alii.

Chap. xviii 3. *po same crafte pat þei wore of*] A. eiusdem...*artia tabernacles*] A. *scenae factoriae*, but Aug. (vide Sab.) has 'tabernaculorum artifices' 4. This verse agrees with *cl. g.*, it is omitted in A. *menged ande sette*] *g. cl.* interponens. 10. *to me ande myne*] A. *mihi*. 14. *to speke*] add. 15. *names of youre lawe*] = E and LV., A. and OL. *nominibus et legis*. 17. *po Iewes*] A. *cl. omnes, e. d. g. omnes Graeci*. 18. *po whiche Priscille...his...he...*] A. *qui sibi totonderant in Cencris caput; habebant enim votum; but cl. has ...totonderat...habebat*, referring of course to Aquila. Cf. *e. d. tonso capita...habebat*. 25. *I. Criste*] A. *Iesu*. 27. *gafe ande speke*] A. *contulit*.

Chap. xix 5. *oure Lorde Iesu Criste*] A. *e. d. domini Iesu, g. domini I. C.* Hieron. contra Lucifer. to. 4, col. 294 (Sab.) *Domini nostri I. C.* 6. *hende*] A. *manum*. 9. *of God*] A. *d. om., e. g. cl. Domini*. *fro þo houre of sexte to þo houre of tenne*] A. *e. om., d. ab hora v usque decima, g. ab hora quinta usque in horam decimam*. There seems to be no authority for the reading *sexe*. 10. *men*] A. *omnes*. *of God*] A. *domini*. 12. *fro hem—of men*] A. *ab eis*. 13. *of Iesu*] A. *Domini I.* 14. *of a Iewe*] A. *Scevas Iudaei*. 17. *oure*] add. 20. *so*] A. *Ita fortiter*. 23. *of God*] A. *e. om., cl. d. g. Domini*. 25. *getynge ande lyuyng*] A. *adquisitio*. 27. *destroyed ande broghte to noghte*] A. *in nihilum deputabitur*. 32. *cried ande saide*] A. *clamabant*. 35. *of Iouys hire childe*] A. *Iovisque prolis*, EV. and of the sone Iubiter, LV. and of the child of Iubiter. 38. *gider hem wipoute-forþe*] The translator has misunderstood the expression 'conventus forenses aguntur.' LV. 'there ben courtis and (of in some MSS.) domea.'

Chap. xx 4. *Sosy þo fadire*. The original of our text must have had *Sosipater*, which the translator rendered as above. A. *cl. e. d. g.* read *Sopater*, but E and LV. have *Sosipater*, similarly Beda and some Greek texts (Sab.). *ande Derbeus*] A. *Derbeus*. 9. *he felle*] A. *eductus somno* cecidit. *borne vppre and broghte*] A. *sublatus*. 12. *po men pat were þer*] add. 14. *alssone fro þepre he wente, etc.*] A. *Cum autem convenisset nos in Asson, adsumto eo venimus Mytilenen*, a corrupt passage, the scribe probably transformed *asson* which he did not understand into *alssone*, leaving out the unnecessary *in*. 28. *his*] A. *dei*. 29. *of God*] *om.* A. 31. *bes ware ande waker*] A. *vigilate*. 33. *pat youre was*] *e. m. vestrum, A. g. om.*

Chap. xxi 2. *we wente into þat schippe*] A. *ascendentes navigavimus*. 8. *we come*] A. *profecti venimus*. 11. *Poules hende*] A. *Is...tulit zonam Pauli et alligans sibi pedes et manus*. 13. *oure Lorde I. Criste*] A. *e. domini Iesu, d. Domini Christi I., g. domini ihesu christi*. 14. *to holde hym fro Ierusalem*] add. 16. *Iason*] *g. Iasonem*, E and LV. *Iason*; A. *e. Mnason, d. Nasonem*. *we wore harbarowed*] A. *hospitaremur*. 19. *tolde*] A. *narrabat per singula*. 20. *how many etc.*] A. *quot milia sunt in Iudaeis qui crediderunt*. 21. *pat hem owes*] A. *e. dicens...debere, g. d. dicens (om. d.) ne circumcidant*. 24. *bot also þei schal knowe*] add. 25. *beeste pat es chokud in blode*] A. *suffucato*. 32. *unto Ierusalem*] A. *ad illos*. 34. *Ande diuersite of crynges was...for*] A. *Alii autem*

aliud clamabant in turba, LV. But othere crieden other thing among the puple.

Chap. xxii 3. tawghte *ande lernud*] A. eruditus. 5. epistels *ande letters*] A. epistulas. 6. *pq way*] A. g. die, e. diem. the second stroke of the *d* was probably faint in the MS. and the translator read *via*. 13. bi-holde *ande se*] A. respice. 16. *pat þus haues schewed vnto þe*] add. 18. *ande me þoghte I harde hym sayande*] A. et videre illum dicentem. 21. *alle nacyons*] A. nationes longe. 28. *Lyghtly sais þou pat þow erte a buriase of Rome*] om. A. e. d. g. The reading occurs in Codex Arma-chanus 'Quam facile te civem romanum dicis' (= B. N. 17250 etc.). See Berger, *Vulg.* p. 32, note 3; also in EV. but LV. omits it.

Chap. xxiii 4. *preste*] A. sacerdotem dei. 6. *resurrecyone*] A. resurrectione mortuorum. 7. *diuersed ande twynned*] A. soluta. 8. *saide þo reuerce...was*] A. utraque confitentur. 9. *faughte*] A. eurgentes pugnabant. 13. *coniuracyone ande...ope*] A. coniurationem. 16. *þis harde a childe þat was, etc.*] A. Quod cum audisset filius sororis P. insidias, venit et intravit. 19. *saide vnto*] A. interrogavit. 21. *bi-heste ande...wille*] A. promissum. 29. *þat bere cryme vnto þo lewes*] A. vinculis habentem crimen. 31. *ledde*] A. duxerunt per noctem. 32. *horses*] A. equitibus.

Chap. xxiv 3. *euermore*] A. semper et ubique. 4. *þis*] A. nos. 6-7. *Ande whanne we haden taken hym*] = E and LV.; A. quem et apprehendimus, v. 8. *u quo poteris, etc.*, the remainder of v. 6 and v. 7 being omitted in A. Our text agrees with *cl.* 'et apprehensum volumus secundum legem nostram iudicare. Superveniens autem tribunus L. cum vi magna eripuit eum de manibus nostris, iubens accusatores ejus ad te venire.' 10. *bifore þe*] add. 11. *I come fro Ier.*] A. ascendi adorare in Hierusalem. 12. *nouþer in þo temple*] repetition, not in A. 18. *Ande thei toke...oure enmye*] = E and LV. and Sixt. Vulgate; om. A. d. e. g. 21. *demed*] A. iudicor hodie. 23. *hem*] A. de suis. 24. *faiþe in oure Lorde I. C.*] A. fidem quae est in I. C. 27. *Festus*] A. Porcium F.

Chap. xxv 9. *ande forto haue þanke of hem*] gloss to *gife grace*, A. gratiam praestare. 13. *men of Baronye*] A. Bernice, e. g. (*h.* in xxvi 30) Beronice. 16. *þo crymes þat ben putte rpon hym*] A. crimina. 17. *hym*] A. virum. 21. *Ande P. appeled & forto kepe hit*] A. P. autem appellante ut servaretur, LV. But for P. *apelide* that he schulde be kept. 22. *Ande Festus answered*] B. N. 4th, Bible de Théod., MS. de Mesmes 'Et Festus ait,' cf. Berger, *Vulg.* pp. 120, 162; om. A. 23. *þo men of B.*] see v. 13. 25. *fonde*] A. comperi...eum...admisisse. 28. *vnto þo*] A. ad te. *bifore þowe*] add.

Chap. xxvi 1. *hende*] A. manu. *gafe his sk. ande saide*] A. coepit rationem reddere; *g.* adds *dicens*. 2. *blessed ande clene*] A. beatum. 3. Repetition: A. 'omnia quae apud Iudaeos sunt consuetudines et quæstiones.' 6. *oure Lorde God*] A. deo. 7. *kenge Agrippa*] A. rex. 13. See above, v. 7. 14. *to kes*] 'calcitrare,' cf. above ix 5, and Todd, *Apology for Lollard Doctrines*, Camd. Soc. 20, London 1842, p. 85, l. 12 'and be kessed in þe worschipping of þe Trinite a lone.' The corresponding

passage in Gregory runs as follows:—‘et in adoratione solius omnipotentis sanctae Trinitatis humiliter *prosternantur*’ (ed. Bened. ii, col. 1101). I have found no further instances, and no satisfactory explanation of the form of this word.

16. *he saide*] add. 18. *of þo blynde*] *e. caccorum, A. g. eorum.* 20. *sipen to þem þat wore at I.] e. his qui in Hierosolymis, A. g. Hierosolymia.* 21. *ande toke me*] *A. comprehensum temptabant interficere.* 30. Cf. above xxv 13, 23.

Chap. xxvii 1. *be taken*] *A. tradi Paulum cum reliquis custodiis.* 5. *in twelue days*] I am indebted to Mr H. J. White of Merton College, Oxford, for the following note:—‘*XV diebus* is read by the Book of Armagh (our D) and the Old Latin Fleury palimpsest (our *h*, edit. Berger) as well as by the Greek cursives 137 and C^{scr} (*δὲ ἡμερῶν δεκαπέντε*) and the *harc.* syr. (cum asterisco); the *twelve* has probably come from a misreading of the *fifteen* in Roman numerals. You will find a similar instance in John xi 18 where for *stadiis quindecim* the Old Latin MSS. (c. l. t.) read *stadiis duodecim.*’ 7. *Gryde*] *cl. Gnidum, g. contranidum; A. Cium.* 8. *into*] *A. cœninus in. Thessala*] *A. Thalassa.* 9. *longe...ande myche—schippyng ande saylyng*] *A. multo...navigatio.* 10. *charge þat es of þo schippe*] *A. oneris.* 12. *þei 2^e*] *A. plurimi.* 13. *A. Adspirante autem austro aestimantes propositum se tenere, cum sustulissent de Asso, legebant Cretam.* 14. *wynde*] *A. ventus typhonicus qui vocatur euroaquilo.* 21. *þis losse*] *A. iniuriam hanc et iacturam.* 30. *as forto keste þer ankere*] *A. sub optentu quasi a prora inciperent anchoras extendere.* 41. *a place þer tuo sees mette*] *A. g. locum bithalassum; Cod. Cavensis, Bibl. Nat. 93, 309 etc. add ‘ubi duo maria conveniebant’ which is probably the original of our reading, cf. Berger, Vulg. pp. 64, 96. LV. ‘a place of grauel gon al aboute with the see.’ Bot þo schippe*] *A. puppis, LV. ‘the last part.’* 42. *and þat þei etc.*] *A. ne quis cum enatasset effugeret, LV. lest ony schulde ascape, whanne he hadde swymmed out.* 44. *saufe & none perished*] add.

Chap. xxviii 1. *þo londe þat we were onne*] add. *Mutilenc*] *A. Militene.* 2. *manhede*] a literal rendering of the Latin *humanitatem*, cf. xxvii 3 *manly* ‘humane.’ LV. has *curtesie* and *curteisli.* 3. *stikkes*] *A. sarmenorum multitudinem.* 8. *A. cum orasset et inposuisset ei manus.* 11. *fairnes of castels*] *A. insigne Castrorum.* The same reading occurs in Bede, *Comm. in Act. (Sab.)*, and in Alcuin’s revision of the Vulgate whence it came into the Anglo-Norman Bible: ‘el quel signe estoit des chasteux.’ The French Bible of the xiiith century reads ‘un molt noble chastel’ (=insigne castrum). See Berger, *La Bible française*, p. 144. The Early Version has similarly ‘a noble thing of castels,’ whereas LV. has been corrected to ‘an excellent singue of Castours,’ *cl. insigne Castorum.* 15. *þo merket of Appii þo senator*] *A. g. Appii forum et tribus Tabernia.* I have found no authority for this reading. 16. *wipouten þo castels*] *g. foris manere extra castra, A. om.* Cf. Berger, *Vulg.* p. 96, note 2. 17. *pupil of þo lewes*] *A. plebem.* 19. *þat I schulde noghte be delyuerde*] add. 21. *none*] *A. neque...aliquis fratrum.* tolde...dede or ille] *A. adnuntiavit aut locutus est quid de te malum.* 22. *can ande felys*]

A. sentia. 25. *pei lerned*] A. discodebant. The translator evidently read 'discebant.' of *Poule*] A. *dicente* Paulo. 26. *saye unto hem*] A. dic. 28. *pis helfulle pinges*] A. hoc salutare dei. 30. *þo Iewes ande þo naciones þat wore called gentyles*] A. e. om.; Cod. Toletanus and Cod. Cavensis read 'disputans et recipiebat omnes qui ingrediebantur ad eum Indeos atque Greecos,' cf. Berger, *l'ulg.* p. 64; *g.* et disputabat cum Iudeis et Grecis. 31. *oure Lorde*] A. domino.

MATTHEW.

Chap. i 3. *Zaram*] A. Zarad. 4. *Raub*] A. Racab. 11—12. *Ichonyam*] A. Ichoniam et fratres eius in transmigrationem Babyloniam. Et post transmigrationem Babyloniam. 17. *fourtene*] A. generationes quattuordecim...generationes...generationes. 18. *moder of Iesu*] A. mater eius; Edit. *Stephanica* Parisiis 1538, quoted from ed. of 1546 by W. and W. has 'mater iesu.' EV. his moder, LV. (and EV. MS. S.) the modir of Ihesu. *hire*] add. 20. *for-to leue his wyf—oure*] add. 22. *pis*] A. Hoc—totum. *seyd*] A. dictum a domino; EV. om. a domino, LV. (EV. in MS. N.) seid of the Lord. *on pis wyse*] add. 23. *hire*] add. *þat is*] A. quod est interpretatum. *is 2*] add. 24. *his—Marye*] add.

Chap. ii 1. *þe kynges*] A. magi, EV. kyngis or wijs men, LV. astro-myeneas. 3. *in herte*] add. 9. *þre kynges—Heroud*] add. 10. *ioyeful & wiþ etc.*] A. gavisii sunt gaudio magno valde, et intrantes etc. 12. *by Herode*] A. ad Herodem. 13. *his 1^o*] add. 14. *Ioseph*] add. 15. *of God*] A. a domino. 16. *of þe kynges*] A. a magia. *in-to Betlem 1^o*] add. *þat were*] add. 17. *Ieremye*] A. Hieremiam prophetam. 18. *in hye*] A. in Rama; E and LV. an hij. 19. *oure*] add. 21. *& Ioseph*] A. Qui. 22. *Ioseph—his*] add. *by an aungel*] add.

Chap. iii 2. *schal come nys*] A. adpropinquavit; *g.* etc. (see W. and W.), appropinquabit. 3. *oure*] add. 12. *korne*] A. aream, E and LV. corn flore. 16. *Iesus*] A. om., *cl.* etc. Iesua. *were opene*] A. aperti sunt ei; K, *tol.* om. 'ei.' *comynge down*] A. descendentem sicut columbam venientem super se.

Chap. iv 4. *Crist*] A. Qui, (*f.* cui) respondens Iesus dixit. 6. *to Crist*] A. ei. *for God bad etc.*] A. quia angelis suis mandavit de te, et in manibus tollent te, *f.* ...ut in manibus tollent te. 10. *seyde*] A. dicit, *f.* etc. dixit. *to þe fend*] A. ei. *Go away*] A. *cl.* vade; but in a number of MSS. (see W. and W.) 'uade retro.' *for*] A. om.; *f.* etc. est enim. 11. *Crist*] A. eum. *goode*] add. 12. *Whan Iesus herde*] A. Cum autem audisset, *cl.* etc. add 'iesua.' 15. *lond of Neptalym*] A. Neptalim, *cl.* etc. terra N. 16. *þede*] A. sedebat, *ar.* ambulabat. 17. *schal come nys*] A. appropinquavit, *ar.* etc. (see W. and W.) -bit. 18. *Iesus*] A. om.; *cl.* etc. iesua. 20. *& þe schyp*] add. 21. *two*] A. duos fratres. 22. *left*] A. statim relictis, Z* (see W. and W.) om. 'statim.' 23. *of heuene*] add. 25. *& men—men*] add.

Chap. v 1. *Cris*] A. om. 13. *þe erþe 3^o—þis sale*] add. 15. *þis sette*
is] add. 19. A. Qui ergo solverit...*et docuerit sic homines.* þes com-
mandementes] add. 21. *Sopþy ȝe haue h.*] A. Audistis. to men of þe
olde lawe] A. antiquis; E & LV. to olde men; cf. v. 27. 22. to his
broþer 3^o] add. is worþi] A. reus erit. 24. to be reconseyld] A. recon-
ciliare, d. etc. reconciliari. 25. þyn enemy 3^o] A. adversarius, g. 9^a. e.
adv. tuus. 26. fro þi prysoun] A. inde. 29. If it so be] A. Quod si.
31. to olde men] add. 32. of hire housbonde] add. 33. to God]
A. domino, T. deo. 34. but sopþy it is seyð] A. Ego autem dico.
41. angreþ] A. angariaberit, d. etc. -verit. 42. A. Qui petit a te, da
ei, et volenti mutuari a te ne avertaria. 43. to olde men] A. om. frend]
A. proximum, E & LV. thin neyþora.

Chap. vi 2. þyn] add. 4. hyre] add; cf. v. 6. 5. holy] add.
6. pruy] A. ora...in abscondito. þi meede] add. 10. to us] add.

LIST OF WORDS.

The words marked with an asterisk will be found in Appendix I.

- abydynge* expectation, 'Rom. viii 19
adrad afraid, 1 Tim. v 20, Tit. ii 8
adreynt p.p. drowned, Prol. 9. 11
agultep pr. sg. fails, sins, Tit. iii 11
a-knowe 'to be —,' to confess, *1 John ii 23, 2 John 7
algates always, Rom. xiii 5, 1 Cor. vi 7
allegid pt. pl. lightened, Acts xxvii 38
alperhigheste highest of all, Acts vii 48
al-per last last of all, Heb. i 2
anentysched pt. sg. brought to nought, destroyed, Phil. ii 7
anwy annoyance, trouble, 'in —,' inopportunately, 2 Tim. iv 2
a-payd p.p. contented, Heb. xiii 5
arered pt. sg. raised up, Rom. viii 11
aresoun to convince, 'arguere' Jud. 15
a-reweþ pr. sg. pities, Rom. xii 8
armorye furniture, tackling, Acts xxvii 19
aspyes ambush, wiles, Eph. vi 11; spies, Heb. xi 31
at that, Acts x 15, xi 9, *1 Pet. iv 14, v 2
a-pinken to be displeased, to repent, Heb. vii 22; *a-pouyt* p.p. Prol. 4. 14
a-prust thirsty, Rom. xii 20
**auoutoures* adulterers, Jam. iv 4
auowtrye adultery, Mt. v 27, 28
auyse to consider, Acts xv 6
awghte pt. sg. ought, Acts xxvi 9
aylastande everlasting, Acts xiii 46, 48
azeynward backward, in return, Prol. 5. 13
balled bald, 1 Cor. xi 5
baylys 'lictores,' serjeants, Acts xvi 35, 38
bere-lype a basket, 'sporta,' Acts ix 25
betty pt. sg. beat, Acts xxii 19
bigge to build, Acts xv 16
biheghte pt. sg. promised, Acts xiii 28
bihette pt. sg. promised, Acts vii 5;
**byhette* p.p. 1 John ii 25
bihetynge a promise, Acts ii 39
bitawghte pt. sg. assigned, delivered, Acts xii 4
bolne to swell, Acts xxviii 6
bourgenyng sprouting forth, budding, Heb. xii 15
boxumnesse obedience, Rom. v 19, vi 16
brenne to burn, 1 Cor. xiii 8; *branneþ* prs. sg. 1 Cor. iii 15
brodde a spike, prod, Acts xxvi 14
buggeþ pr. pl. buy, 1 Cor. vii 30
buriasse a citizen, Acts xxi 39, xxii 28
bus pr. sg. behoves, Acts ix 7
buxom pliant, obedient, 1 Pet. iii 6
byare a redeemer, Acts vii 35
byhoteþ pr. pl. promise, 1 Tim. ii 10;
byhoten p.p. Heb. xi 11, 1 John ii 25; *byhotynge* pr. p. 2 Pet. ii 19
by-hypte pt. sg. promised, Prol. 4. 20
**byldeþ* pr. sg. beholda, Jam. i 28
byseþ imp. pl. take heed, Gal. v 15
cacched pt. pl. chased, Acts vii 57
catelle substance, goods, Acts viii 20
**cely* happy, blessed, 1 Pet. iii 4
chaffarynge trading, 1 Thea. iv 6
chargeful burdensome, 1 Thea. ii 7
chariaunt burdensome, chargeable, 1 Thea. ii 9
chausers shoes, Acts xiii 25
**chere* face, appearance, 1 Pet. iii. 12

- clergy learning*, 1 Pet. v 8
clipped pt. sg. embraced, Acts xx 10
code a cud, Prol. 15. 23
cofenabel timely, opportune, Heb. iv 16
corueser a tanner, Acts ix 43
couche bedchamber, Mt. vi 6
coup known, Col. iii 11
curyoure a tanner, Acts x 6, 32
cynacle, synacle an upper room, Acts i 13, ix 39, xx 8, 9

dumpne to condemn, Acts xxv 16
defouleþ pr. sg. defiles, 1 Cor. xi 4, 5
dewle devil, Acts x 38
dighte pt. pl. prepared, Acts x 10
dodded p.p. cut, shorn, Acts xviii 18
dresse pr. pl. direct, 1 Thes. iii. 11, 2 Thes. iii 5
dronkelew given to drink, 1 Cor. v 11, 1 Tim. iii. 8
droued p.p. troubled, Acts xv 24, xx 10
dryt dung, dirt, Phil. iii 8

eft again, Mt. iv 7, 8
efte-schippinge sailing back, Acts xxviii 10
eftsones again, 1 Cor. iii 20
enchesoun cause, Rom. xiii 4, Phil. i 28
**enourned* pt. pl. adorned, 1 Pet. iii 5
enpeched pt. pl. hindered, stopped, Acts xxvii 41
erpe-schake earthquake, Acts xvi 26
euenhede equity, Acts xvii 31

fele many, 2 Pet. i 15
file to defile, Acts xxiv 6; *filed* p.p. Acts ii 31, xxi 28, *2 Pet. ii 22
flambe a flame, Acts vii 30
fonne 1 sg. pra. am mad, Acts xxvi 25; *fonnes* 2 sg. Acts xxvi 24
forbugge to redeem, Eph. v 16; *forbouzt* p.p. 1 Pet. i 18
for-buggynge redemption, Rom. viii 23, 1 Cor. i 30; *fore-byzenge*, Tit. ii 14
**fordide* pt. sg. destroyed, 2 Pet. ii 5; *fordon* p.p. 2 Pet. iii 7
forfendeþ pr. sg. forbids, 3 John 10
forleste p.p. left, Acts ii 31
forme example, 1 Thes. i 7

forþynketh pr. pl. repent, Prol. 5. 29
foucheþ saf pr. sg. vouchsafes, Prol. 5. 5
**fylynges* defilements, 2 Pet. ii 20

gabber a liar, 1 John i 10, v 10
gafelokes javelins, Eph. vi 16
garite pt. sg. made, constrained, Acts xvi 15, xxvi 11
gaseyn puddle, 'volutabrum,' 2 Pet. ii 22
gate pt. sg. begat, Mt. i 2
geldynge a eunuch, Acts viii 27, 34
get goats, Prol. 15. 25
getynge gain, 1 Tim. vi 5, 6
gledes kites, Prol. 15. 31
gnaisted pt. pl. gnashed, Acts vii 54
goten p.p. begotten, Acts xiii 33
grees steps, stairs, Acts xxi 35, 40
gretynge weeping, Mt. ii 18
greue to burden, 1 Thes. ii 9
greyþynge a preparation, Eph. vi 15
gripe a kind of gier eagle, vulture, Prol. 15. 30
grucched pt. sg. murmured, Acts iv 25
gruccheres murmurers, Jud. 16
grucchyng a murmuring, 1 Pet. iv 9
grun a snare, 1 Tim. vi 9; *gren* 1 Cor. vii 35
gubernacle a helm, Acts xxvii 40

habbeþ pr. pl. have, 1 Cor. vi 4
haberioun breastplate, Eph. vi 14, 1 Thes. v 8
habul suitable, Acts xxvii 12
half side, Prol. 9. 9, 12. 2
halowe holy one, saint, Acts xiii 35, xx 32
hatte was called, Acts v 1, xii 13
haucynge haven, harbourage, Acts xxvii 12
hayls to greet, Acts xxv 13; *haylsed* pt. xviii 22, xxi 7
haylsinge a greeting, Acts xviii 18
hele health, salvation, 2 Pet. iii 15, Jam. i 1
heleþ pr. sg. hides, 1 Pet. iv 8
helynge a covering, garment, 1 Cor. xi 10, Heb. i 12
heo she, Rom. xiii 1
herborewynge hospitality, Rom. xii 13

- hernes* corners, Acts xxvi 26
heryen to praise, worship, Prol. 11. 11, Heb. i 6
heryenges worship, 1 Pet. iv 3
hese 'in -,' in ease, opportunely, 2 Tim. iv 2
hestes commands, Col. ii 23
hette p.p. promised, Acts ii 39
hiddels hiding-places, Acts xxvi 26
highed p.p. exalted, Acts v 31
highte pr. sg. is called, Acts xvii 7
hofen p.p. lifted, 1 Tim. iii 6
homlyche familiar, belonging to the louse, 1 Tim. v 8, Gal. vi 10; *homely* Acts x 7
hony-sokkles locusts, Mt. iii 4
hote pr. sg. command, 1 Tim. vi. 13
house to build, 'superedificare,' Jud. 20, **housed* pt. pl. 1 Pet. ii 7; *how-singe* pr. p. Acts iv 11
howsemeyne household, Acts x 2
**hurde* a shepherd, 1 Pet. ii 25; *kirdus* ib. v 4
kurnep pr. pl. run, 1 Pet. iv 4
kurnynge pr. p. running, Prol. 16. 30
kuyrynge-man hireling, Prol. 15. 10

implyep pr. sg. entangles, 2 Tim. ii 4
indurate hardened, Acts xix 9
inctures bands, Acts xxvii 40

kendames tracts of land, 'regiones,' Acts viii 1
kes(e) to kick, 'calcitrare,' Acts ix 5, xxvi 14
knafe-chylde a male child, Prol. 17. 15, Acts vii 19
knuttynges bands, ties, 'conjunctiones,' Col. ii 19
komelynge 'advena,' a stranger, Acts vii 29
koupe-name a surname, Acts i 23
kynde grateful, 'gratus,' Col. iii 15
kyndomes Jam. v 4, see *kendames*
kynrede kindred, tribe, Heb. vii 13
kyne 'calcitrare' (in S. P.), Acts ix 5, xxvi 14

**late* slow, Jam. i 19
lattyng hindrance, 1 Cor. vii 35, 1 Tim. v 21

leffulle permissible, Acts xxi 37
leffullyche legitimately, 2 Tim. ii 5
legge to lay, Prol. 18. 20
lendes loins, 1 Pet. i 18
**lerid* learned, 2 Pet. ii 2
lese to lose, Prol. 2. 33, 2 John 8
lesynge a lie, 1 John ii 21, 27
lether evil, Tit. i 12
letts to hinder, Acts viii 36; *latte* pr. sg. Heb. xii 15
lewedere more ignorant, Prol. 7. 31
longabydyng patience, long-suffering, 2 Tim. iii 10
longanynte long-suffering, Col. i 11
loos fama, repute, 2 Cor. vi 8, Phil. iv 8
lotted p.p. allotted, Acts i 17
loued pt. pl. praised, Acts xvi 25
loute to bow down, worship, Mt. iv 9; *lowtande* Acts xvi 25
lowghne pt. pl. smiled, laughed, Acts ii 18
luther evil, Eph. vi 13
lye flame, 2 Thes. i 8, Heb. i 7
lystode food, Jam. ii 15, 1 Cor. xiii 3
lyft left, Mt. vi 8
lygge to lie, Prol. 14. 12
lyne pr. pl. lie, Acts xxiii 21
lyte pt. sg. let, Mt. iii 15

maddes 2 sg. pra. art mad, Acts xii 15
**malyson* cursing, 2 Pet. ii 14
maners manors, estates, Acts xxviii 7
markenes darkness, Acts ii 20
mased amazed, Acts ix 7
maxmetes idols, 1 John v 21, 1 Pet. iv 8
me one, 1 Cor. vi 15, vii 36
mcke much, great, Acts xxiv 2
menged pt. sg. mixed, mingled, Acts xviii 4
meny, *meyne* household, family, Acts iii 25, gentiles ib. iv 27
meridiane south, Acts viii 26
mot pr. sg. must, Prol. 7. 24; *moten* pl. ought, 1 John iv 11
motar an advocate, Acts xxiv 1
mote-halls court-house, Acts xxiii 35
mowe pr. pl. can, 1 Cor. vii 9
muke meek, 2 Tim. iii 8

mynde remembrance, 1 Cor. xi 24,
1 Thea. iii 6

mysbylefyd unbelieving, 1 Cor. vii 12,
13; *mysbylefed* men unbelievers,
gentiles, Prol. 14. 31, 1 Cor. vi 7.
mysseggere a railer, 'maledicus,' 1 Cor.
v 11

**mysseye* to curse, Jam. iii 9; *mys-
seyde* pt. sg. p.p. 1 Pet. ii 23

**myskord* a curse, 1 Pet. iii 8

nedder viper, snake, Acts x 12, xxviii
3, *Jam. iii 7

nedlyche necessarily, Prol. 7. 24

neghed pt. sg. drew near, Acts xxii 6

neo-menye new moon, Col. ii 16

ner-pe-latere nevertheless, 1 Cor. xii
15, 16

neygliche draw near, Jam. iv. 8;

-lachen ib. v 8; *-lyche* Rom. xiii 11

norysche a nurse, 1 Thea. ii 7

nouper, *nofer*, *nouper* neither, Acts xxiii
14, xv 10, Mt. v 35

noupe now, Rom. viii 23

noujere nowhere, Heb. ii 16

nul will not, Heb. viii 12

obbrayd, *obbroyd* reproach, 'impro-
perium,' Heb. xi 26, xiii 13

obbraydeþ upbraids, Jam. i 5; *obrayded*
p.p. 1 Pet. iv 14

offendikel offence, Acts xxiv 16

oknoue, see *aknoue*, Acts ix 14, 21

opunsched openly shown, Acts ii 20

or before, *2 Pet. ii 12, Mt. i 18, Acts
xxiii 15

otwrynne apart, asunder, Acts xv 39

**ouerlye* to oppress, Jam. ii 6; *ouer-
lyen* 2 Pet. ii 7: *ouerlyne* p.p. Acts
x 38

ouerjode pt. sg. 'circumueniens,' got
the better of, Acts vii 19

outetaken except, Acts xxvi 29, Mt. v
32

outetaker of parsons respecter of per-
sons, Acts x 34, *Jam. ii 1

paas steps, Mt. v 41

palle a mantle, Mt. v 40

parsener a partner, Prol. 1. 16.

plausfere a playfellow, Acts xiii 1

prisons prisoners, Acts xvi 27

propyatyorye mercy-seat, Heb. ix 5
puttynge in 'of bondes' laying on of
hands, Heb. vi 2, 1 Tim. iv 14,
2 Tim. i 6

quyletes gatherings, 'collectionem,'
Heb. x 25

rafeneres robbers, 1 Cor. v 10, vi 10

rafeyn robbery, Phil. ii 6

rafere earlier, former, Heb. viii 7, 13

**recheles* reckless, careless persons,
1 Pet. ii 15

rede pr. sg. advise, Prol. 6. 21

redy prudent, 1 Cor. i 19, Tit. ii 1

redynesse prudence, 1 Cor. i 19

reirme realm, Mt. iv 16, v 10

**rode-tre* the cross, 1 Pet. ii 24

roghte pt. sg. cared, Acts xviii 17

**romynyng* pr. p. roaring, 1 Pet. v 8,
2 Pet. ii 4

rysfelynge a wrinkle, 'ruga,' Eph. v 27

sad solid, heavy, Heb. v 12, Acts iii 7

sadlyche soberly, 1 Pet. i 23

sadnesse firmness, Col. ii 5

saiden 'dissecabantur,' Acts vii 54

schamel stool, Acts ii 35

schamfastnesse modesty, 1 Tim. ii 9

schendeþ pr. pl. put to shame, 1 Cor.
xi 22, pr. sg. ruins, destroys, Gal. v
9

schenschype shame, 1 Cor. xi 14, 2 Tim.
ii 15

schenyne to shun, Tit. iii 9, 10

schere pt. pl. cut, Acts xiv 13

schidesteres chiders, wranglers, Tit. ii 3

schiprode voyage, Acts xxvii 10

schoyeþ pl. put shoes on, Eph. vi 15

schreude depraved, Acts ii 40

**schryue* pr. pl. confess, 1 John i 9;
schryuyng Mt. iii 5; *-ande* Acts xix
18

schuleþ pr. pl. owe, Rom. xiii 7

schypbrecke shipwreck, 1 Tim. i 19

sege seat, Prol. 2. 5

seggeþ. sugger pr. pl. say, 1 Thea. iv
14, 1 Cor. i 10

**semblante* a face, Jam. i 11

sewe pr. sg. follow, Phil. iii 12

- sey3* pt. sg. saw, Heb. xi 5
sicaryens assassins, Acts xxi 38
siker sure, safe, Acts xviii 9
sipen since, Acts x 30
skille reason, Acts xxii 1; *skelis* Prol. 8, 3, 5
slakande loosening, Acts xxvii 40
slekked p.p. quenched, Mt. iii 12
smoke smoke, Acts ii 19
**smert* quick, Jam. i 19
smertely 'als-', immediately, Acts x 33, xi 11
sonde a sending, message, Acts i 4, vii 18
sopefastly truly, verily, Acts ii 15
sopfastnes(se) truth, 2 John 1, 2, 3, 4
sowrdow3 leaven, 1 Cor. v 6, 7, 8
sparde pt. sg. barred, Acts xxvi 10, p.p. ib. xii 14; *sparred*, *sperred* p.p. ib. xxi 30, xxii 19
spouse-brakeres adulterers, 1 Cor. vi 9
sprenge imp. pl. sprinkle, Heb. x 22; *spreynde* pt. sg. ib. ix 19, 21
sterne a star, Acts vii 43, *2 Pet. i 19
stey3 up pt. sg. ascended, Eph. iv 10; *steghe* pt. sg. Acts ii 34; *steghne* p.p. ib. x 4
stirtte pt. pl. rushed, sprang, Acts xiv 18
stonyed p.p. astonished, amazed, Acts xxii 17
streng string, Prol. 4. 23
stude place, Eph. iv 27
sturbulen pr. pl. disturb, trouble, Acts xvi 20; *sturebulde* pt. pl. ib. xvii 13
styntyng, *stuntynge* ceasing, 1 Thes. i 2, ii 18
sudaries sweating-cloths, Acts xix 12
sundrytyche separately, severally, Heb. ix 5
swnge imp. pl. sin, Eph. iv 26
wren pr. pl. follow, 1 Pet. ii 21, see *sewe*
swot sweat, Prol. 8. 32
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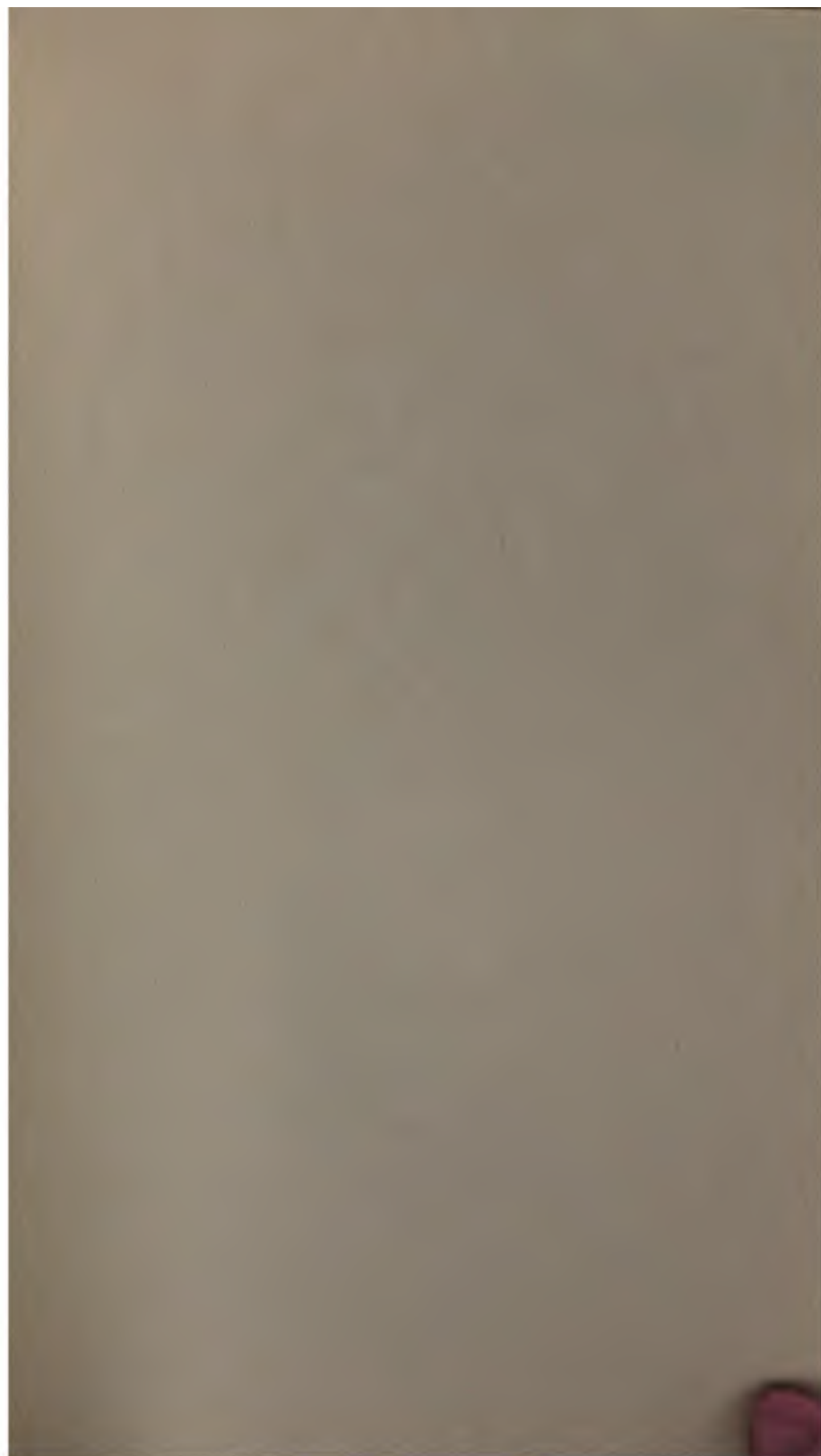
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